

Strategy mooted to defend S. Lebanon

TUNIS (R) — A six-member commission of Arab chiefs of staff will draw up a military strategy to defend southern Lebanon, according to a communiqué issued by the Arab League on Wednesday. It said the decision was made at a six-day meeting of a special committee on southern Lebanon, which also drew up recommendations in the political, economic and information fields. Members of the special committee are Lebanon, Jordan, the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. The 77th ordinary session of the Arab League council is due to open here on Wednesday night attended by permanent delegates in Tunis.

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Hussein cables Greek president

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein Wednesday sent a cable of good wishes to Greek President Constantine Karamanlis on his country's independence day. In his cable King Hussein expressed his own wishes and those of the Jordanian government and people for Greece's continued progress and prosperity.

U.K. parliamentary team arrives

AMMAN (Petra) — A British Parliamentary delegation arrived here Wednesday evening on a 24-hour visit to Jordan. The 12-member delegation, representing different British political parties will meet with a number of Jordanian officials and will travel to the occupied Arab territories to examine the situation there. The delegation's visit is at the invitation of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) with a view to informing the British public of the real situation in the occupied territories. The delegation was met upon arrival by PLO representatives and the British embassy's second secretary in Amman.

NAAA calls for U.S. action

WASHINGTON (Petra) — The National Association of Arab Americans (NAAA) has appealed to the U.S. State Department to conduct an investigation into Israel's killings of and its repressive measures against the inhabitants of the occupied Arab territories. NAAA President David Sa'd described Israel's measures as savage and unjust manifesting Israel's flagrant defiance of the Palestinian people's human rights. Addressing a press conference here on Tuesday night, Mr. Sa'd condemned Israel's deliberate killings of Arab youth in the occupied territories and called on the U.S. Senate's Foreign Relations Committee, the U.S. Congress Human Rights Committee and international organisations to conduct a full enquiry into the situation.

U.S. concern grows over West Bank

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — Secretary of State Alexander Haig says the United States is seriously concerned about the "escalating violence" in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and is watching the situation very closely. Mr. Haig's comments to reporters followed a meeting at the State Department with visiting Japanese Foreign Minister Yoshio Sakuruchi. "We are watching the situation very closely," Mr. Haig said, adding that the United States "very much regrets the violence on the West Bank, and we hope that the situation will normalise in the immediate future. This is a matter of serious concern to the president and to this government," Mr. Haig said.

Iraq holding ground in war

BAGHDAD (R) — An Iraqi military spokesman said Wednesday Iraqi forces had been in control of the Dezful and Shush battlefields since launching a large-scale attack against the Iranians on Tuesday. The Iraqi News Agency quoted a field commander in the Shush area as saying Iraqi troops in Wednesday captured 30 tanks and many prisoners, and the Iranian forces were now retreating.

Astronauts given reduced workload

HOUSTON (R) — The space shuttle astronauts were given a reduced workload on Wednesday to help them recover from a slightly sickly start to their seven days in space. Jack Louma and Gordon Fullerton, suffering from motion sickness and lack of sleep after two days in orbit, were given the next two days' schedule in reverse order to ease the pressure on them. Mission officials said the flight plan switch would not significantly affect the mission which they expected to continue through the planned 115 revolutions around earth.

King hails steadfastness of West Bank inhabitants

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein Wednesday hailed the honourable and heroic stand of the occupied Arab territories inhabitants in the face of Israel's plans against their homeland and their existence.

"The events we are witnessing at present make us the more determined to stand by our kinsmen and support them with all our potentials and capabilities," the King said.

He was speaking at a meeting on Wednesday with members of the Jordanian-Palestinian Joint Committee for the Support of the Steadfastness of the Inhabitants of the Occupied Territories.

The King voiced Jordan's total support for the committee's efforts which he said have yielded positive results on all fronts.

At the meeting the King was briefed on the committee's activities and achievements.

Head of the Palestinian side to the committee Hamid Abu Sittah praised King Hussein's national stands on the Palestine problem.

and the Jordanian-PLO fruitful and constructive cooperation.

"This cooperation is characterised by responsibility, and this has been manifest at the committee's previous meetings," Mr. Abu Sittah said.

He stressed that the Jordanian government's decision regarding the Israeli-sponsored West Bank Village Leagues had been effective.

Also speaking was Mr. Khalil Al Wazir, member of the central committee of Fatah movement. He voiced the committee's happiness in meeting the King and also praised the Jordanian government for its decision regarding the Village Leagues.

Annexation imminent

LONDON (R) — The Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) believes that an Israeli annexation of the West Bank and Gaza is imminent, the PLO's London representative said on Tuesday night.

Syria reneges on accords

AMMAN (Petra) — Syria has reneged on its trade agreements with Jordan, the Ministry of Agriculture said here Wednesday.

The ministry said it had learned that the Syrian authorities now required exporters of Jordanian agricultural products to obtain import permits from their Syrian importers in advance of any transaction.

The Syrian measure, which took effect on Tuesday, also stipulated that such transactions would now be carried out through letters of credit, and not in cash, as the case had been before the Damascus authorities' action, the ministry said.

The measure did not include in-transit goods, it added.

Mubarak: Egypt will not cede an inch to Israel

CAIRO (R) — President Hosni Mubarak was quoted Wednesday by Cairo newspapers as saying Egypt would not cede a single inch of its territory as a result of border disputes with Israel.

But the newspapers also cited him as telling parliamentarians of the ruling National Democratic Party (NDP) that the two countries were obliged to go to arbitration over any dispute between them.

The papers quoted Mr. Mubarak as saying he had sent his special envoy Osama Al Baz to Israel "to convince them of the need to boost the peace process and that the peace treaty with them stipulates mediation or arbitration to settle any dispute between us ... we try and do hope to reach agreement with them."

He said Egypt was determined to maintain its close ties with the U.S. despite attempts to sour its relations with Washington, but Cairo would not form any alliance with the U.S.

Egypt was a non-aligned country but this did not prevent it from having special political, military and economic relations with the United States, Mr. Mubarak said.

Meanwhile, the Egyptian foreign

ministry said Wednesday Egypt and Israel had agreed in principle to a way of solving the border dispute, clearing the way for Israel's scheduled withdrawal from the Sinai Peninsula.

Speaking to reporters after meeting with the cabinet, Kamel Hassan Ali said the agreement in principle had been worked out by his under-secretary, Dr. Al Baz, during a meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin last Tuesday.

Mr. Ali said Israeli Defence Minister Ariel Sharon would be visiting Cairo later this month or early in April to work out the details of arbitration or conciliation of a dispute over an area of land at Taba, on the Gulf of Aqaba just south of the Israeli port of Eilat.

Earlier, Dr. Al Baz met with Mr. Mubarak and told reporters Egypt hoped Israel would refrain from further violence in the occupied West Bank to create a better atmosphere for resumption of the talks between Egypt and Israel on self-rule for Palestinians in occupied lands.

As he spoke, Israeli gunfire killed a fourth Palestinian in the sixth day of anti-Israeli protest on the West Bank.



Two armed members of the Israeli-sponsored West Bank Village Leagues guard the entrance to their organisation's centre in Hebron on Wednesday (A.P. wirephoto)

Arabs pin hopes on consensus at the U.N.

By Ramzi Al Walid
Special to the Jordan Times

UNITED NATIONS — A Golan-style, double-staged strategy will mark the ongoing Arab strategy regarding the Security Council deliberations on the situation in the occupied Arab territories.

The Arab group at the United Nations decided to seek the council's endorsement of a resolution which would declare the Israeli measures in the West Bank, Gaza, and the Golan null and void and which would call upon Israel to rescind these measures immediately. If Israel refuses to do so, the council should, according to the Arab draft resolution, meet again no later than March 29 to address the issue again.

The Security Council is due to meet late Wednesday night (Jordan time) to consider the draft resolution. The Arab working paper also contains a condemnation of Israel and its policies. The language is expected to be watered down once the non-aligned caucus in the council submits its amendments. Also the language which would commit the council to "take measures" when it meets March 29 if Israel fails to implement the resolution, is expected to be watered down.

Hoping for a consensus, the Arab group is willing to accept a tuning down of the draft. An ab-

sorption of the United States would be tolerated, but the Arab aim is to secure the American positive vote.

Whether the U.S. would go along or not remains to be seen (later Wednesday night N.Y. time at the earliest) but observers believe the U.S. would have difficulty vetoing the draft resolution particularly after the non-aligned caucus endorses its watered down version.

It was also decided in the Arab group to confine the debate to one speaker on behalf of the Arab group. Jordan, the only Arab member on the council was requested to speak. If the council decides to conclude the occupied territories item, it would vote late Wednesday, in order to take up Nicaragua's complaint scheduled to begin Thursday.

Syria's permanent representative to the U.N. insisted on including the Golan on equal footing with the West Bank and Gaza. The PLO, according to sources, favoured confining the draft to the recent events in the West Bank and Gaza, but the Syrian ambassador argued that inhabitants under Israeli occupation in the Golan are also being subjected to oppressive Israeli measures.

The Arab group accepted the Syrian argument, but rejected the Syrian proposal to include in the draft a denunciation of American policies.

Israelis kill three more Palestinians as uprising spreads to Gaza Strip

TEL AVIV (Agencies) — Israeli gunfire killed three more Palestinians and wounded at least 10 Wednesday in the worst day of violence in week-long anti-Israeli uprising in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Five Arabs have been killed and at least 21 wounded in the past six days.

Two youths were shot dead on Wednesday morning — Palestinian eye-witnesses said one was killed by a Jewish settler — and Israeli military sources claimed a third Arab was killed when a petrol bomb he was preparing exploded in a hut.

Another Palestinian with him was seriously injured in the explosion in Abasan village, near Rafah, the sources added.

Palestinian eyewitnesses said the Arab youth who was killed in Hebron was shot by one of the 25,000 Jews who have settled in the West Bank since Israel occupied the territory in 1967.

A military spokesman said the army was urgently trying to determine whether a soldier or civilian was responsible for the shooting.

The spokesman claimed the second Arab who was killed on Wednesday had attacked an Israeli border policeman in the northern town of Jenin. The policeman was reported to be in a serious condition.

The deaths brought to five the

number killed since Palestinians began a general strike last Friday over the dissolution of the Al Bireh town council.

Palestinian leaders on Tuesday night decided to extend the strike indefinitely, and demonstrations flared in several districts, including the town of Rafah in the Gaza Strip.

A curfew was imposed on Rafah after hundreds of youths blocked roads and pelted Israeli troops with stones, Israeli Radio reported.

An Israeli soldier was injured by stones in Ramallah and eye-witnesses in Hebron, which has so far escaped serious unrest, described the situation as extremely tense.

No confidence

The government's hardline measures in the West Bank led to a vote of confidence in parliament on Tuesday night, and there was a 58-58 tied vote.

Opposition leaders on Wednesday said they would keep pressing to oust Mr. Begin following Tuesday night's tied vote of confidence which forced him to the verge of resignation.

In the Knesset Wednesday, the opposition accused the government and the house speaker, Menachem Savidor, of acting unconstitutionally after failing to delay a vote on an interim budget

so they could summon missing members.

Labour members pounded tables and walked around the chamber to obstruct the vote. Only two opposition votes were recorded and the outcome was 57-2 for approving the first reading of the interim budget.

Opposition leaders said they would keep pressing for Mr. Begin's downfall by tabling further no confidence motions but have only a week before the Knesset goes into recess.

After Tuesday night's tie, Mr. Begin recommended to his cabinet that it resign but was overruled by fellow ministers and coalition supporters who voted 12-6 to stay in office.

In the Gaza Strip, troops shot dead a demonstrator in the town of Khan Yunis, the military said. No details were available and the victim's identity was not released.

In two other demonstrations, gunfire wounded eight Arabs. The military claimed troops fired at the demonstrators' legs after they threw rocks and ignored warning shots.

Other reports from the West Bank meanwhile said that 25 Arab policemen in the Bethlehem region have submitted their resignations to protest Israel's repressive measures against the Arab inhabitants.

Solidarity strike in Jordan today

AMMAN (Agencies) — The Jordanian government on Wednesday called for a one-hour strike in Jordan to protest Israel's "expansionist plans and aggression" against Palestinians in the occupied West Bank.

A government spokesman said the strike would be staged on Thursday for one hour between 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

"All government and public services will be stopped for one

hour Thursday to protest Israeli actions against the Arab people in the occupied Arab territories and to support our people there against Israel's expansionist plans and aggression on Arab rights and dignity," the spokesman, who declined to be named in accordance with government policy, said.

The call for the strike came in the sixth day of the upheaval in the Israeli-occupied West Bank by Palestinian Arabs protesting the

dismissal last week of the mayor and town council of Al Bireh.

Syria too has announced that it will observe a one-hour general strike Thursday "in solidarity with the steadfastness of the Arab people in the Golan Heights, Gaza and West Bank who are facing savage repression by the Israeli occupation authorities," an official announcement in Damascus said.

Guatemalan constitution abrogated

GUATEMALA CITY (A.P.) — The new military junta abrogated Guatemala's constitution on Wednesday and will govern the country by decree, an announcement on the state radio network said.

The announcement said the junta shortly planned to announce a so-called "statute of government" until a new constitution is put together.

The current constitution has been in force since Sept. 15, 1965. Tuesday night, hours after young officers overthrew Gen. Fernando Romeo Lucas Garcia's rightist regime in a bloodless military coup, the three-man junta dissolved the single house congress of 61 seats.

In a written statement, the army called on Guatemalans to cooperate to return all the country's activities back to normal... for the good of everyone."

Argentina's junta to allow phased return to democracy

BUENOS AIRES (R) — Argentina's ruling military junta said Wednesday that it would legalise political parties within a few months and begin a gradual, phased return to democracy.

A message from the three-man junta to mark the anniversary of a coup which brought the armed forces to power in 1976 said once political parties were re-established the government would seek agreement with them on a gradual transition to democracy.

A new law to legalise political parties would be introduced about the middle of this year, it added. But the junta warned that the return to elected government

would be a gradual, phased process in which the political parties would have to act responsibly.

On Tuesday the government announced the release of 80 political prisoners and increases in pensions ranging from 10 to 30 per cent.

The human rights organisation CELS (The Centre for Legal and Social Studies) described the statement on the freeing of prisoners as a fraud. Some of those whose release was announced had been freed a year ago and only 14 had been let out of prison recently, according to CELS spokesman Jose Westercamp.

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El Salvador reported quiet

SAN SALVADOR (R) — Most of El Salvador was reported quiet Wednesday, four days before national elections, although a clandestine radio said left-wing guerrillas were advancing on towns in an eastern province.

Radio Venceremos said the guerrillas were attacking army positions throughout Morazan province and repeated its call for a general insurrection Wednesday, second anniversary of the murder of a church leader considered a champion of the poor.

Army reaction was not immediately available, and the radio did not mention casualties (U.S. criticised on El Salvador, page 8).

Reagan administration proposes more aid to Israel

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — America's support for Israel's security and economic well-being is a "basic and unshakable tenet of American foreign policy in the Middle East," a State Department official has said.

Testifying before the House Subcommittee on Europe and the Middle East on Monday, Morris Draper, deputy assistant secretary of state for near eastern and south Asian affairs, said the Reagan administration is proposing a funding level of \$2,485 million for Israel — an increase of \$300 million over the previous year.

Mr. Draper told members of the subcommittee that the Reagan administration carefully reviewed Israel's debt burden before submitting the security assistance proposals to Congress. In response to a question, he admitted that Israel's growing debt repayments to the United States have been a source of concern to many Israeli officials, but added, "we believe Israel will be able to handle the additional debt burdens implicit in the funding levels of fiscal year 1983."

He explained that the proposal for the economic support funding is essentially a cash transfer programme, "although we are proposing a return to the traditional mix of two-thirds grants and one-third concessional loans, rather than the full grant programmes of the last two fiscal years."

The primary concern of the subcommittee was not how much money to provide Israel but the terms by which the money would be provided. When asked if the Reagan administration was thinking of cancelling a part of Israel's debt to the United States, Mr. Draper replied, "Israel would object. That would hurt their reputation, which is excellent in the world market."

The combined military and economic assistance for Israel would be the largest U.S. bilateral assistance programme. It includes a \$1,700 million proposal for foreign military sales financing and \$785 million in economic support funding.

Several subcommittee members voiced the concerns of their constituents about large grants and loans overseas at a time of economic hardships within the United States. "People are complaining about cuts at home so it is difficult to approve increases abroad," said a representative from Wisconsin.

Mr. Draper replied that without U.S. aid, Israel cannot hope to keep up with its potential adversaries.

"With United States assistance at our proposed levels, Israel can continue to maintain its qualitative and technological superiority over any potential combination of regional forces," he said.

NATIONAL

Low-cost homes for people with limited income

This is the fourth in a five-part series in which Samira Kavar reports in depth on the housing situation in Jordan. So far the writer has dealt with the growth of this vital sector of the economy over the past decade, examined the contribution of the Housing Corporation to this growth and given, as an example of its success, the story of Alia Heights, the national carrier's housing project.

PRIVATE SECTOR companies have begun to turn to limited-income groups as a market for their low-cost housing projects. One such company is the Real Estate Finance Corporation (REFCO), which has built 553 housing units in Amman since it became operational in 1978.

REFCO's General Manager Ahmad Mango told the Jordan Times that these units, housing 2,800 people, are mostly located on Jabal Al Akhdar, which is one of Amman's relatively new areas inhabited by people of limited income. Dr. Mango said that REFCO is currently engaged in building 400 new housing units in Jabal Al-Akhdar, Jabal Al Nuzha, Jabal Al Nasr and Abdoun, a new area south of Jabal Amman's Fifth Circle.

REFCO's basic objective is to facilitate home ownership for Jordanian limited income groups, whether they be in Jordan or abroad, said Dr. Mango. REFCO, he

said, did not deal in real estate speculation. People participating in its housing schemes are therefore prohibited from selling or leasing their houses while repayment of their mortgages is still in progress.

The corporation feels that limited-income groups constitute a "much safer and larger market than high income groups, who require luxury-type housing," according to Dr. Mango. Recognizing this fact, REFCO was the first private sector company to turn to the limited-income market and to provide the type of flat or semi-detached villa needed by low-income and middle-income groups in Jordan. Dr. Mango pointed out that the dwellings being made available on the market by private sector contractors were all in the JD 30,000-40,000 price range, and above.

REFCO's projects are carried out on the basis of a dual system of activities, Dr. Mango pointed out.

A saving scheme for middle and low-income groups provides the company with funds that are later invested in housing projects for these very same groups. Clients are encouraged to save enough money to raise the down payments and pay the instalments that will enable them to own their own homes. Dr. Mango said that the number of REFCO's saving accounts has reached 12,000. The company offers 6 to 8.5 per cent interest rates on its savings accounts, and priority in the allocation of completed housing units is given to customers with REFCO savings accounts.

The corporation's housing schemes comprise blocks of flats or semi-detached villas ranging in price from JD 8,000 to 30,000, depending on the location of the unit.

Dr. Mango said that any person wishing to apply for a REFCO unit would be requested to have saved enough money in his REFCO account to make a 25 per cent down payment on moving into a REFCO dwelling. Non-savers are also eligible for participating in REFCO housing schemes if they can make the down payment on moving in. The balance is payable over a 15 year mortgage period in monthly instalments and carries a 9 per cent interest rate, plus a 2 per cent administrative fee. Dr. Mango pointed out that the admin-

istrative fee includes a life insurance premium for the income-earners of recipient families. Such premiums, he said, were an obligatory part of the housing package. In the event of the death of the bread winner, the rest of the family would not lose their home due to inability to pay the monthly instalments. Since the life insurance policy — equal in amount to the sum of the outstanding monthly instalments — would pay for the dwelling.

While payment of the loan instalments is in progress, the units are registered in the name of the families inhabiting them, but the property is mortgaged until the entire loan has been repaid. Families which are able to repay their loans in less than the 15-year maximum period are not discouraged from doing so, said Dr. Mango.

Dr. Mango said that REFCO, in assessing the applications for REFCO-built dwellings, requires that the family's total income be adequate enough to pay the monthly instalments. In doing so, he said, REFCO considers the entire family income, making it conditional that the monthly instalments do not exceed one third of the family's total income.

Most of REFCO's housing units are located in the lower-income areas of eastern Amman. To provide easy access for lower-income groups, REFCO's main office, and its branches are also situated in these areas where even "no banks had ventured before", said Dr. Mango. However, REFCO's services are also needed among relatively higher income groups such as doctors and engineers, and the corporation is also moving to some western areas of Amman like Jabal Amman and Shmeisani.

As far as the purchase of land for housing purposes is concerned, REFCO plans ahead by seeking to buy suitable plots for future projects. Dr. Mango said that REFCO has come across some difficulty in buying land in certain locations. The availability of roads and electricity and water networks are the basic considerations taken into account when purchasing land, he said. Land prices are very

high, and REFCO has bought land in areas where the price of one dunum was as much as JD 30,000, he said. In spite of this, he added, it was still economical for REFCO to buy such land for the building low-cost housing because the size of the units was small and they were designed to eliminate waste of space.

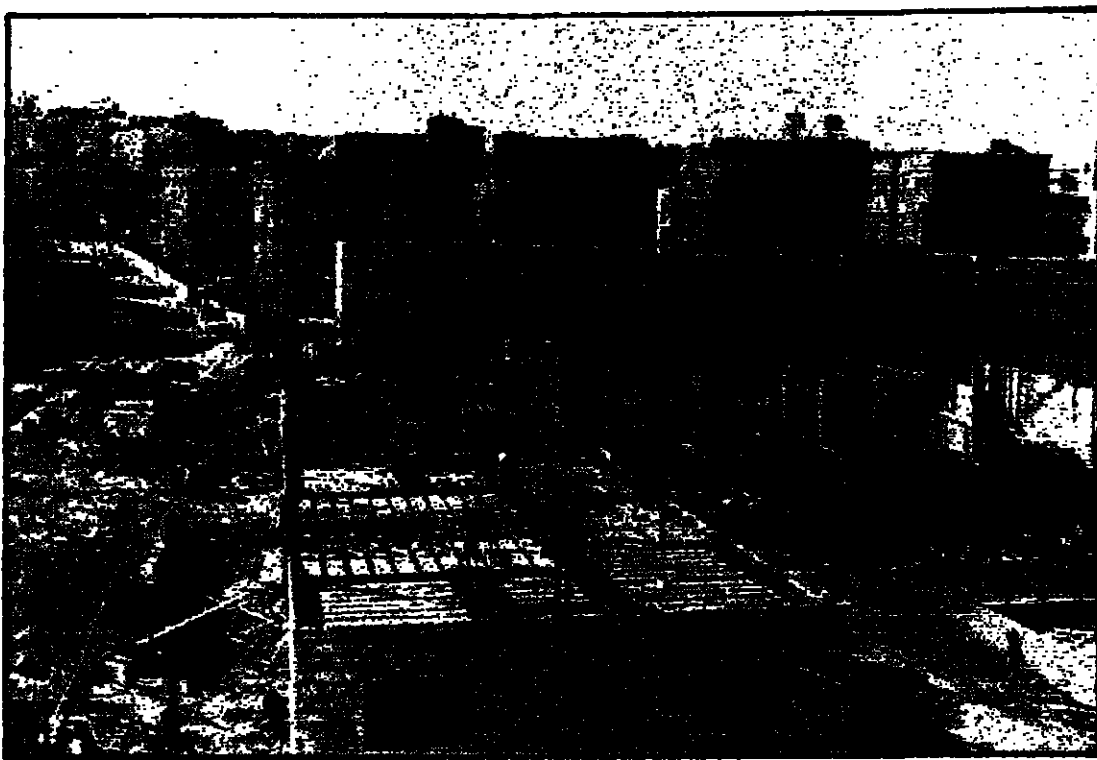
Dr. Mango said that REFCO's projects are first planned by the company and the designs are given to contractors to start construction before any prospective buyers are approached. Once construction has begun, REFCO offers the designs to its savings accounts clients and allows them time to choose their units. All flats and semi-detached villas are usually sold before completion, he said. Dr. Mango said that all contractors engaged in REFCO projects are small Jordanian companies. REFCO provides them with the land, designs and funds necessary for building and also supervises the whole operation to ensure that the minimum quality standards agreed upon are adhered to.

When REFCO first began to market its housing schemes, it encountered some difficulty in explaining the mortgage concept to the average, limited-income prospective Jordanian home-owner. Extensive advertising campaigns promoting REFCO's dual savings and mortgage plans gradually enabled the company to consolidate its position on the market, and the idea of owning a home through a mortgage system is beginning to appeal to increasing numbers of Jordanian families, Dr. Mango said. The mortgage system is the most effective method being followed for the expansion of home ownership in developed countries, he added.

Dr. Mango pointed out that although construction costs are increasing by roughly 15 per cent — equivalent to the inflation rate — families are not being deterred by such increases from saving to own their own homes. Inflation, as a matter of fact, is acting as an incentive for people to begin saving towards buying their own housing as fast as possible, he added.



Two views of the REFCO housing project at Jabal Al Akhdar



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Ismail returns from Tokyo telcoms meeting

AMMAN (Petra) — Telecommunications Corporation (TCC) Director General Mohammad Shabed Ismail returned to Amman Wednesday after representing Jordan at the second Arab-Japanese telecommunications meeting, held in Tokyo between March 16 and March 20.

Among the subjects discussed at the meeting was increased Japanese technical assistance to Arab states, particularly those poorer countries which lack proper technical training in telecommunications techniques, Mr. Ismail said.

During his stay in Tokyo, Mr. Ismail said, he held talks with Japanese government officials on a loan request which Jordan has submitted to the Japanese government.

Tourist sites transformed

AQABA (Petra) — Restoration work is under way at Aqaba Citadel to transform it into a national museum, the Department of Antiquities announced on Wednesday.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities says it has transformed a buffet at Ishafena national park in Ajloun District into a restaurant offering full services to visitors to the region. An announcement said that the ministry has also established a garden around the restaurant, at a cost of JD 30,000.

Wildlife reserve fence to protect roaming beasts

AMMAN (Petra) — The Royal Commission of Al Shomari Wildlife Reserve announced on Wednesday that it has started implementing its third expansion project, which entails erecting a 22-kilometre barbed-wire fence around the reserve.

The JD 80,000 project is expected to be completed by the end of this year, the commission said in a statement. After fencing off the area, it said, the wild animals will be let loose to roam the reserve's grounds.

A representative of Sultan Qaboos of Oman visited the reserve last week and looked into the commission's activities aimed at reviving the existence of wild animals and other wildlife at Al Shomari Reserve. Sultan Qaboos donated \$200,000 to the reserve's projects, the statement said.

Sheraton fetes old and new managers

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Amman Sheraton Palace Hotel on Wednesday honoured its departing general manager, Klaus Gurny, and welcomed his successor, Erhard Noreisch, with a reception attended by a large number of government officials and travel, tourism and hotel representatives.

Mr. Gurny, who has served here since the Sheraton's opening in November 1980, said he found Jordanians "very friendly, and I enjoyed my stay here." He will go to the Ishtar Sheraton in Baghdad as general manager.

Mr. Noreisch, a German national, said his aim "is to make the Sheraton in Amman the best in service, especially in the food and beverages department."

3-day seminar to consider implications of Arab satellite

AMMAN (Petra) — A three-day seminar on the Arab communication satellite and its implications for radio and television production will open here on March 29.

Participants in the seminar, which will be opened by Information Minister Adnan Abu Odeh, will review several working papers submitted by the Jordanian Artists' Association and the Jordanian Theatre Association dealing with the art movement in Jordan, Jordanian writers and the Jordanian popular heritage, as well as radio and television programmes.

Tax assessors learn the job

AMMAN (Petra) — A two-week training course for 21 income tax assessors opened on Wednesday at the Income Tax Department.

The participants will be oriented on income tax laws, general concepts of taxation and the taxes in force in the country, according to Director of Income Tax Abdullah Nsour, who made a speech to mark the opening of the course.

U. of J. festival set April 26

AMMAN (J.T.) — The University of Jordan will hold its annual festival on April 26. Al Ra'i newspaper reported on Wednesday.

It said the festival will include a mini-exhibition of statistics and models showing the university's progress, modern equipment received by the university and books written by university professors.

Sports events between local and foreign teams, a play or two and an exhibition of paintings, Arab calligraphy and Islamic art are also scheduled.

Al al-Bait sets 1st conference

AMMAN (Petra) — The first annual conference of the Royal Academy for Islamic Civilisation Research (Al al-Bait Foundation) will begin here on April 8.

Participants in the week-long conference will discuss several topics, including the report of the royal academy on its work over the last year, and its working plan for the next year. They will also discuss research programmes on several topics, including an Islamic civilisation encyclopaedia, financial management in Islam, a comprehensive index of the Arab-Islamic heritage, educational thought in Islam and the treatment of non-Muslims in Islamic society. They will set a date for the second conference of the academy.

Team gathers collection of photos of King

AMMAN (Petra) — A special committee of the Press and Publications Department has started to organise the collection of photos of His Majesty King Hussein that will be displayed on Aug. 11, 1982 to mark the 30th anniversary of the King's assumption of his constitutional powers.

The photographs are designed to illustrate Jordan's progress in various fields over the past 30 years. The exhibition is being organised in cooperation with the armed forces' Moral Guidance Directorate and the Jordan Library Association.

Director of Press and Publications Ahmad Al 'Utoum appealed to all citizens who have in their possession any photographs of King Hussein taken on rare occasions to bring them forward, so that they can be enlarged and displayed at the exhibition. The original photos, he said, will be returned to their owners.

U. of J. water seminar takes up treatment topics

By Samira Kassar
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — The 'Ain Ghazal sewage treatment plant, which became operational in 1969, is now overloaded by 50 per cent, according to Amman Water and Sewerage Authority (AWSA) President Mohammad Kilani.

Speaking at the fourth session Wednesday of an interdisciplinary water seminar organised by the University of Jordan's faculties of science and engineering and technology, Mr. Kilani said that the treatment plant is currently receiving 30,000 cubic metres of effluent a day. AWSA, he said, has plans for a quick-relief system in the form of aerated lagoons or waste stabilisation ponds utilising mechanical aeration techniques, with a capacity for 35,000 to 40,000 cubic metres of effluent a day. An American company is carrying out feasibility studies, and locations for the project between 'Ain Ghazal and Sukhneh along the Zarqa River are being studied, Mr. Kilani said.

The new stabilisation lagoons will also absorb the contents of the septic tanks which currently empty their loads near Amman Airport, and the added load of 7,000 cubic metres a day resulting from new connections to the sewer system. These stabilisation pools would also serve as a standby in case of a breakdown at the 'Ain Ghazal plant, Mr. Kilani said. He said he expected their construction to begin within three months. Executed on a turnkey basis, these pools would be completed by the last quarter of 1983, he said.

Mr. Kilani, who chaired Wednesday's session, pointed out that treatment of sewage in Jordan was different to treatment in Western Europe and the United States, because Jordan's water resources are much scarcer than those of other parts of the world. Because the average water consumption in Jordan is lower than in North America and Europe, sewage in Jordan has a concentration of up

to eight times that in, for instance, Western Europe.

Another scheme that will be completed by the end of 1985 will upgrade and expand the 'Ain Ghazal treatment plant, raising its capacity to between 60,000 and 70,000 cubic metres a day, Mr. Kilani said.

The seminar's first paper, on basic considerations and operational problems of water treatment in arid zones, was given by Dr. Ing. Horst Schussler of the West German University of Hannover.

Prof. Rashad Natour of the University of Jordan's Biological Sciences Department presented a paper on the utilisation of agro-industrial wastes. He pointed out that young poultry raised on animal feed containing recycled refuse had been found to grow at a rate that was 10 per cent faster than those raised on other feeds. He discussed ways in which various types of household rubbish could be recycled to produce animal feed.

The third lecture was given by Mr. M.F.G. Archer, technical director of the British firm Howard Humphreys and Partners. Speaking on the provision of wastewater facilities, in which Howard Humphreys is involved in Jordan, Libya and other parts of the world, Mr. Archer briefly outlined different processes for the treatment of sewage.

CORRECTION

An article on page 1 of the Jordan Times on Tuesday, March 23 incorrectly reported procedures for non-Jordanian residents of the country whose residence permits expire while they are on trips outside Jordan. The item should have said that holders of expired permits, upon returning, should refer immediately to the Residence and Foreigners' Affairs Department to renew their permits, so that they do not have to pay any fines. The usual fees for renewal continue to apply.

Iraqi commercial team arrives for trade talks

AMMAN (Petra) — Means of bolstering Jordanian-Iraqi trade and economic ties were discussed here Wednesday between a visiting Iraqi trade delegation and a Jordanian team led by Minister of Industry and Trade Walid Asfour.

The Iraqi delegation, which arrived here earlier Wednesday, is led by President of the Federation of Iraqi Chambers of Commerce Hatem Abdul Rashid, who is also the Iraqi Ministry of Trade's under-secretary. Attending the

meeting on the Jordanian side were senior officials from the Amman Chamber of Industry and the Federation of Jordanian Chamber of Commerce (FJCC).

The Iraqi delegation, which is on a four-day visit, also held a meeting with FJCC officials on ways of increasing Jordanian-Iraqi economic cooperation. Its members are also scheduled to meet with Jordanian businessmen and industrialists, to discuss economic and trade cooperation between the two countries.

Mystery body identification sought

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Public Security Directorate has distributed this photo of the body of a murdered woman in the hope that somebody might identify her.

In a statement, the police said that the 25-year-old woman's body was found on Dec. 15, 1981 with a bullet in her head, along the old Jerash road at the Sleithi area. The statement described the victim as Caucasian, with reddish-blond hair, a mole on the lower right jaw, another on the upper neck and a third under her right arm.

The woman was found to have been nine months pregnant. At the time the body was



found it was dressed in a woolen jacket and a pink blouse, with a checked slip-over.

Today's weather

With the approach of a cold front, there will be a further decrease in temperature, with increasing clouds, scattered rain and thunder in some areas. Winds will be northwesterly fresh, gusting at times. In Aqaba, it will be dusty and partly cloudy, with a chance of thunder showers, northerly fresh winds and calm seas.

	Overnight low	Daytime high
Amman	5	12
Aqaba	11	22
Deserts	6	14
Jordan Valley	9	20

Yesterday's high temperatures: Amman 16, Aqaba 27. Humidity readings: Amman 38 per cent, Aqaba 18 per cent.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Exhibitions

- * Twenty-five Years of French Rock, at the French Cultural Centre.
- * International Painters, at the Amman Marriott Hotel.
- * Movement and Line, by Mohanna Durra, at the American Centre from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Films

- * Mi Querida Senorita (My Dear Lady), at the Spanish Cultural Centre at 4:30 p.m. Film in colour with no sub-titles.
- * "New Wave French Connection," documentary about the new wave of French Rock, at the French Cultural Centre Friday at 7:30 p.m.
- * A film for Russian-language graduates at the Soviet Cultural Centre, Thursday at 6 p.m.
- * I Can Also Build an Ark, a colour film for children of the Holy Land Institute for the Deaf in Salt, at the institute Thursday at 7 p.m.

Play

- * Betrayal, presented by the Amman Playreaders at the Alcazar Hotel in Aqaba at 7 p.m. Friday. Tickets 500 fils.

Poetry Reading

- * Jordanian poet Haidar Mahmoud reads a selection of his poems at the Arab Women Graduate Club, First Circle, Jabal Amman, at 4:30 p.m. Thursday.

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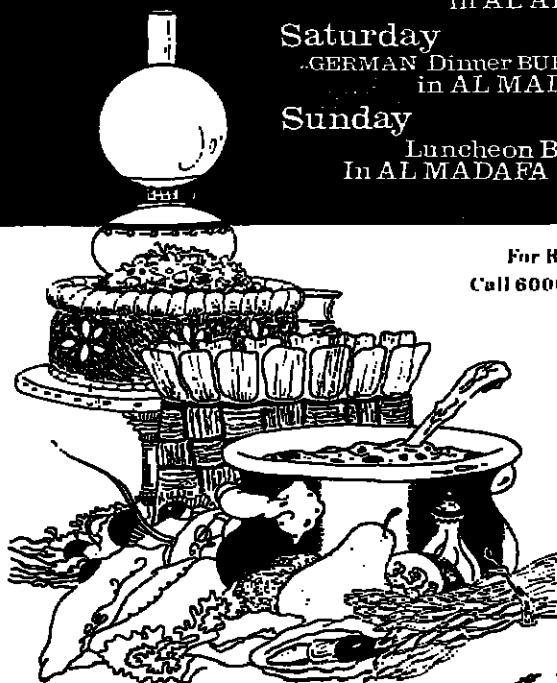
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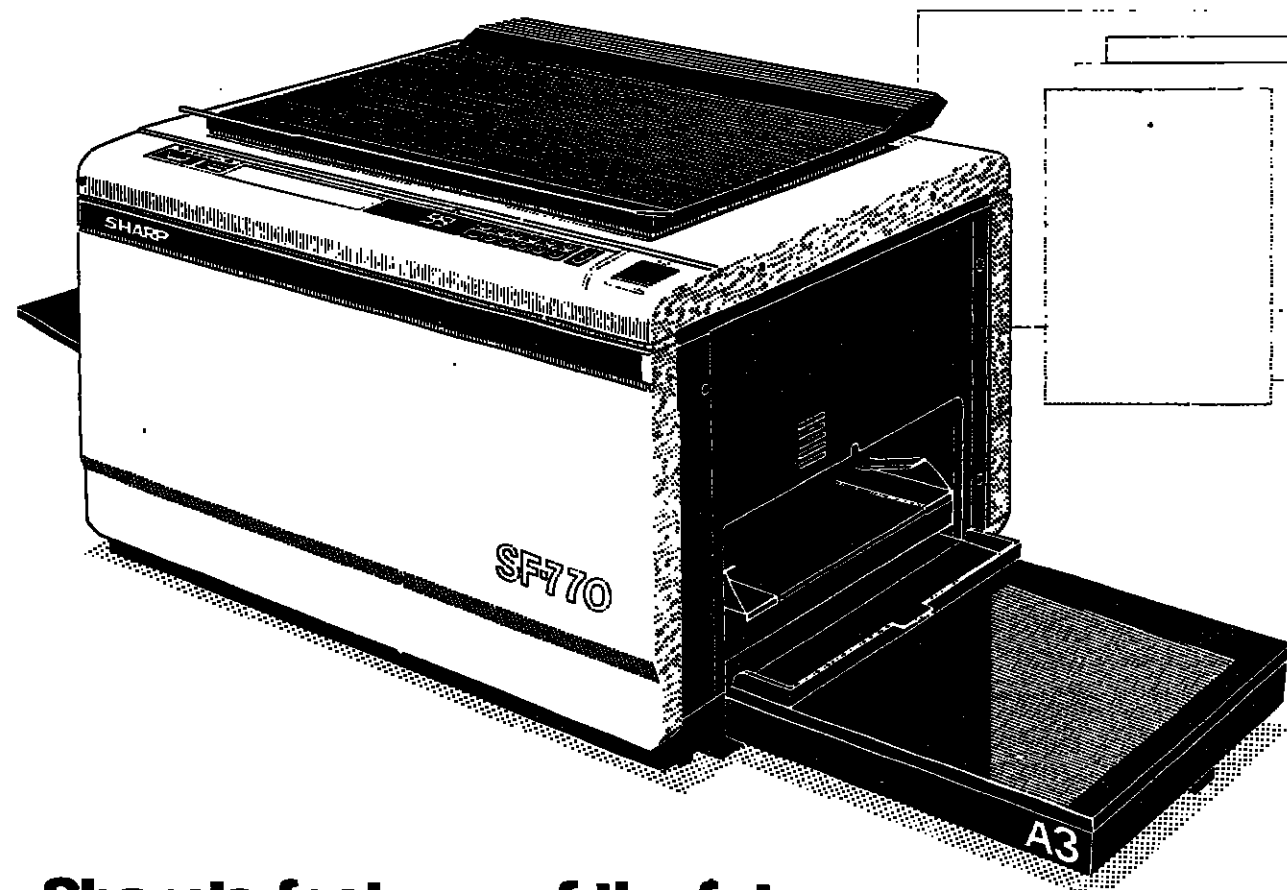
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The Cinderella complex

By Jawad Ahmad

One of the issues that still dominate Arab socio-economic thought (sometimes inhibiting development) and which should have been resolved at least eight years ago, is that of working women.

In most countries one comes across a diversity of radical opinions which have wide mass appeal, but they all seem to fall short of the reality of the situation. In Jordan, happily, the opposite seems the common *modus operandi*.

To clarify this even further, while many people write in

newspapers and other periodicals against women entering the labour market, we find that more and more women are doing so. Out of every new 100 entrants in the labour market in Jordan, there are 25 women and 75 men. In gross terms, 17 per cent of the women who are of working age are employed; compared with only 4.8 per cent in 1975.

Yet, we must admit that the number of women who hold key positions or who rank high in the hierarchies is still limited. This can be explained by the fact that demand for women employees is limited to specific

jobs from which they usually resign when they marry and beget children.

Yet there are women who already have assumed leading positions. Jordanian women who occupy leading posts seem less inhibited and more aggressive than their counterparts even in industrialised countries.

A recent book has been published in the United States which deals with this specific problem. The book is entitled: *The Cinderella Complex: Women's Hidden Fear of Independence* and is written by Collette Dowling. According to

the Harvard Business Review which reviewed the book, it analyses the case of women who "rather than fulfill their zestful potential as creative adults, subconsciously keep themselves in psychological limbo waiting for a prince..." Such a phenomenon is called the "Cinderella Complex."

The Cinderella complex is "a state in which women sabotage their own growth, preferring dependence to independence." Ms. Dowling therefore suggests that such women should look inwards and gain courage. It is self-defeating to nurse feelings of dependence which could

grow to preparations that jeopardise their independence as leaders and top managers.

Of course Dowling limits her discussion to U.S. women. As I said earlier, Jordanian women who hold leading positions do not seem to suffer from this complex. The road to their promotion has not been easy. By the time they have reached such positions they have crossed many barriers which they could not have crossed if they were not independent.

I think that researchers in the U.S. offer intriguing results. Yet, in the heated competition for novel ideas they go some-

times too far. To show that I could cite the "Snow-White complex", the "Little Red-Riding Hood complex," and the "Sleeping Beauty complex." The first is the inhibition of women by other aggressive women, the second applies to men who dread competition from women, the third is that of women who do not work at all but wait for their Prince Charming.

If every behaviour should be labelled as a complex, then writing this article I clearly suffer from the "Sheherazad complex."

Peace and death

THERE IS something macabre about seeing another Palestinian youth shot dead by Israeli gunfire in the occupied West Bank while United States Secretary of State Alexander Haig says in Washington that he is confident the Camp David "peace process" will continue.

The absurdity of this juxtaposition of words and deeds is not new. The United States has consistently reverted to incoherence and insensitivity in the face of Israeli killings of Palestinians, whether in the occupied territories, in southern Lebanon or among Palestinian diplomats abroad. It is therefore no surprise to watch this latest American performance. The American government is moving ahead to hold the next round of the Egyptian-Israeli "autonomy" talks in Washington, making believe that no Palestinians are being killed by Israeli bullets in the West Bank, making believe that autonomy will suddenly be accepted by the Palestinians after it has been resoundingly rejected many times over.

We should all move beyond the point of amazement at the actions of the United States government. We are, perhaps, on the threshold of scientific history. We may well have a situation here where a new form of human being is evolving, a blend between fact and fiction, reality and unreality, truth and falsehood. Mr. Haig cannot be serious in what he says. But he is serious. So is the entire political structure of the United States that gives Israel the money and armaments it needs to kill Palestinians. The explanation for such intellectual barbarism is not readily found. "Peace processes" and death are incompatible. Mr. Haig the soldier should know that.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Back in the U.N.

AL RA'I: It has been the natural thing for the Arab group in the United Nations to raise the issue of the deteriorating situation in the West Bank at the U.N. Security Council. Jordan has also raised the question before the Arab League because what is taking place in the West Bank constitutes a prelude to unpredictable dangers in the region.

The issue facing the U.N. Security Council is the result of a number of negative international attitudes clarified in the international community's inability to deter and punish the Israeli aggressor. Israeli settlements, the annexation of Jerusalem and the Golan Heights and the attack against the Iraqi nuclear reactor have been the most dangerous aggressive Israeli practices and the international community failed to implement any punishment due to the veto umbrella which protects Israel.

The current Arab stand is also responsible for what is taking place. It is one of the important factors that have encouraged the aggressor to commit its past and present crimes. It is high time for the Arabs to do something more than just talk. What the Arab masses expect from their leaders is not a miracle. They only ask them to transcend their differences and negative attitudes, to provide the Arab Nation with the chance to defend its sons in the occupied territories. Condemnations and denunciations do not relieve the Arab leaders from their duty to act.

The Arabs understand that a veto is awaiting them at the U.N. Security Council. They also understand the crooked ways and double standards being practised at the organisation which equate between the victim and the aggressor. Although the U.N. Security Council is the only way open to the Arabs, this fact does not absolve them from its political, moral and human responsibilities. But it remains for the Arabs to take the initiative, build up their strength and face the challenges posed against them.

Let their stand be defined

AL DUSTOUR: Although the Israeli Knesset's debate on Menachem Begin's government has not been decisive, it is possible that Begin would submit his governments resignation and new elections be held in Israel. But the real problem is not this or that Israeli government. The real problem is Israel's policy towards the process of establishing just and comprehensive peace in the region. Past experience has proved that all Israeli parties approve this policy and cooperate among themselves to carry it out.

Ariel Sharon has exposed the policy of repression, killing and terror being practised by the Israeli occupation authorities in the occupied lands. This Israeli policy centres on tightening Israel's grip on the West Bank and Gaza and strengthening Israel's "security" by establishing Israeli settlements and finding persons that can accept to cooperate with the Israeli authorities like the suspect Village Leagues.

The explosive situation in the West Bank and Gaza will not change if Menachem Begin resigns. The only process that can change this grave situation is to pressure on Israel to make it abandon Begin's policy of expansion. Thus the meeting of the U.N. Security Council will not be important because we expect it to perform miracles but because it will oblige the United States and France, to define their stand on Israel's practices in the West Bank and on the Israeli policy exposed by Sharon.

The Israeli Knesset debate might also be an Israeli manoeuvre aimed at causing a new political situation to obstruct Israel's final withdrawal from Sinai. The superpowers should hasten to press Israel to control its appetite for expansion in order to avoid the eruption of a new war which will endanger the region and the world.

The following is the text of a statement by the United States International Communications Agency (USICA) on the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan.

It was issued in observance of the declaration of March 21 "Afghanistan Day" by President Ronald Reagan.

On March 12 of this year, the European Council took the initiative in setting aside a day on which to remind the world about the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. Their objective was to raise the moral cost to the Soviets of trying to mould Afghan society in their own image.

The Soviet campaign of high-technology violence is relatively uninhibited by press coverage. Film footage must be smuggled out by camera crews who are risking their lives. We rarely see the villages being bombed, the refugees being strafed or the poison

spect for reversing this situation are not good.

Without Afghan institutions to which they can turn over responsibility, the Soviets face an open-ended military occupation. The nationalists have already denied firm control of most of the countryside to the Soviet occupation force. With vastly superior firepower, the Soviets can engage in punitive expeditions at will but cannot secure territory in the absence of an effective Afghan administrative and military infrastructure. Paradoxically, the lack of any resistance leader with a broad national following may be a source of strength in the present stage of armed resistance. Since their opponent is the Afghan people themselves, the Soviets cannot hope to capture or defeat the thoroughly decentralised enemy.

Soviet position on a settlement

The Soviets have endorsed (and presumably authored) the August 24, 1981 Kabul statement on conditions for a political settlement — an insignificant revision of Kabul's

withdrawal.

Implications of the Soviet position
 The Soviet Kabul proposals do not address the central requirements for a settlement acceptable to the Afghan people, including the expeditious and total withdrawal of Soviet troops. They are based on the erroneous premise that Pakistan and Iran, aided by China and the West, are the source of "international interference" in Afghanistan. This ignores the crux of the matter: that the 90,000-man Soviet occupying army constitutes the "international interference" which must be ended if peace is to be restored. The May 14 August 24 proposals would require direct negotiations between the Kabul regime and its neighbours, thus providing international recognition of the Soviet *fait accompli* in Afghanistan. In short, the international community is being asked to impose an unpopular and illegitimate government on the Afghan people — something the Soviets have been unable to do by force. Even if Soviet conditions for an "external" settlement were met, they insist that withdrawal of their forces take place only with Kabul's "agreement." An unlikely eventuality since that regime could not survive without the Soviet military presence. Significantly, Moscow has never pledged total withdrawal of its forces or offered a timetable for even partial withdrawal.

International initiatives

The international community has refused to accept the Soviet proposals, but there are alternatives:

The UN General Assembly has overwhelmingly approved three resolutions (Jan. and Nov. 1980, and Nov. 1981) calling for withdrawal of the foreign forces, restoration of Afghanistan's non-alignment, respect for the Afghan right to self-determination, and return of the refugees "with honour." (Majorities were 104, 111, and 116, respectively.) The Soviets opposed all three resolutions.

In Feb. 1981, the Nonaligned Movement meeting in New Delhi strongly condemned foreign military presence in Afghanistan and

called for its withdrawal.

In June 1981, the European Community's Council of Ministers put forth a proposal elaborating upon an earlier French initiative. It called for a two-stage conference. The first stage, involving the permanent members of the UN Security Council as well as Pakistan, Iran, India, and representatives of the UN and the Islamic Conference, would determine ways to prevent external intervention in Afghanistan. A second stage, to which representatives of Afghan opinion would be invited, would decide on how to implement agreements worked out during the first stage and on all other matters designed to ensure Afghanistan's independence and non-alignment. The Soviets have also rejected this proposal.

UN initiative

In February 1981, then-UN Secretary General Waldheim appointed Perez de Cuellar as his personal representative to seek a political settlement. Perez de Cuellar travelled twice to Kabul and Islamabad and once to Moscow during the year. Subsequently, during the autumn 1981 UN General Assembly, Waldheim and Perez de Cuellar met separately with the foreign ministers of Pakistan and Afghanistan and their representatives in New York. Newly elected Secretary General Perez de Cuellar is expected shortly to name his own personal representative who will continue these contacts.

President Reagan's Afghanistan Day proclamation -- U.S. condemns continuing Soviet invasion

In December 1979, the Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan without provocation and with overwhelming force. Since that time, the Soviet Union has sought through every available means to assert its control over Afghanistan.

The Afghan people have defied the Soviet Union and have resisted with a vigour that has few parallels in modern history. The Afghan people have paid a terrible price in their fight for freedom. Their villages and homes have been destroyed, they have been murdered by bullets, bombs and chemical weapons. One-fifth of the Afghan people have been driven into exile. Yet their fight goes on.

The international community, with the United States joining governments around the world, has condemned the invasion of Afghanistan as a violation of every standard of decency and international law and has called for a withdrawal of the Soviet troops from Afghanistan. Every country and every people has a stake in the Afghan resistance, for the freedom fighters of Afghanistan are defending principles of independence and freedom that form the basis of global security and stability.

It is therefore altogether fitting that the European parliament, the Congress of the United States and parliaments elsewhere in the world have designated March 21, 1982 as Afghanistan day, to commemorate the valour of the Afghan people and to condemn the continuing Soviet invasion of their country.

Afghanistan day will serve to recall not only these events, but also the principles involved when a people struggles for the freedom to determine its own future, the right to be free of foreign interference and the right to practice religion according to the dictates of conscience.

Now, therefore, I, Ronald Reagan, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate March 21, 1982, as Afghanistan Day.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this tenth day of March, in the year of our Lord 1982, and of the independence of the United States of America the 206th.



gas choking Afghan valleys. That is why the U.S. felt it important to raise consciousness through events like "Afghanistan Day" and to join the Islamic Conference, the Non-Aligned Nations and the U.N. General Assembly in calling for withdrawal of Soviet troops and the restoration of Afghanistan as an independent, neutral country.

Background

Following the April 1978 Marxist coup in Afghanistan, internal opposition developed almost immediately and later evolved into a countryside insurgency. Soviet military assistance increased, and Soviet military equipment and advisers became critical to the new regime's survival. In Dec. 1979, the Soviets invaded the country, engineered a coup against the existing Marxist government, and installed the regime of Babrak Karmal. After more than 2 years of brutal occupation, however, the Soviets have been unable to establish the authority of the Babrak government.

Failure of Soviet occupation

The Soviets have failed to win over a significant number of Afghan collaborators. The regime's narrow political base has shrunk even further over the past 25 months, and the Afghan army continues to disintegrate. Failure to reconstruct a viable Afghan army means that the Soviets must bear the major burden of providing security. The dearth of Afghan civilians willing to participate in civilian administration requires the Soviets also to play a dominant role in the government. Politically and militarily, the Soviets control less of the country today than a year ago, and pro-

visions (May 14, 1980) proposals. The two concessions were essentially procedural. Key elements remain the cessation of outside interference, with international guarantees — in effect a demand that the outside world secure the end of Afghan resistance as a precondition to Soviet

Council of Europe resolution on Afghanistan -- Europeans voice support for Afghan people and independence

1. Recalling that Afghanistan was invaded by Soviet forces on Dec. 27, 1979, and that this invasion was condemned by the Assembly in its Recommendation 889 (Jan. 31, 1980).
2. Noting that, on Nov. 18, 1981, the United Nations condemned the continuing Soviet military occupation of Afghanistan.
3. Shocked by the sufferings of the Afghan people inside their country, the bombings carried out against the civilian population, the destruction of their crops and livestock, the disease and the famine.
4. Deeply concerned at the plight of the Afghan refugees (a situation with which the Assembly dealt in its Recommendation 922 of Sept. 30, 1981) whose current total stands at four million (or one-fifth of the total population), 2.5 million of whom are in Pakistan and 1.5 million in Iran.
5. Remembering that every year March 21 is commemorated as representing the beginning of a new year and symbolising the nation's rebirth.
6. Recalling that by its Order No. 399 (1981) the Assembly instructed the Political Affairs Committee and the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Demography to appoint sub-committees to study jointly the possibility of the Council of Europe providing a framework for the organisation of a widely representative international conference for the search for an equitable solution of the Afghan crisis.
7. Welcoming the resolution adopted by the European Parliament on Nov. 17, 1981 in which it declared its intention to commemorate March 21, 1981 as Afghanistan Day.
8. Calls on the parliaments and governments of all member states to join in commemorating March 21, 1982 as Europe's own Afghanistan Day by which our peoples express their warm sympathy and support for the people of Afghanistan and their desire to see the establishment of a free and independent and formally non-aligned Afghanistan.

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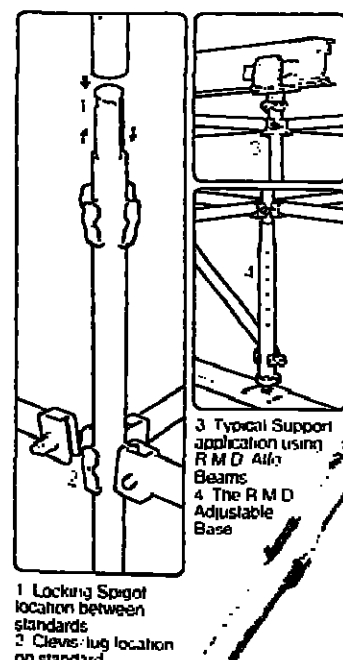
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Kuwait reconsiders economic policy

KUWAIT (A.P.) — The Kuwaiti cabinet held an unusual emergency session Wednesday to discuss the economic perspective for oil-dependent Kuwait in light of belt-tightening measures by the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).

The session, chaired by Kuwait ruler Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah, coincided with press reports that last week's OPEC consultative meeting in Vienna had clamped a ceiling of 800,000 barrels daily on Kuwait's crude production.

Kuwait had set a target of 1.5 million barrels daily for this year. The persistent glut on the international oil market forced it however to an estimated daily average of 655,000 barrels—the lowest in the country's history.

Economic policy planners said these conditions will force Kuwait to reconsider its economic policy, particularly in the field of governmental spending, international lending and aid to developing states.

The Kuwaitis, who accumulated more than \$60 billion in foreign investments from oil revenues in past years, have been the main contributors to some half a dozen Arab and OPEC funds aimed at circumventing balance of payments difficulties suffered by Third World nations as a result of higher oil prices.

A Kuwaiti finance ministry report earlier this week warned that Kuwait, who had a budget surplus

of five billion dollars last year, will be facing a deficit of at least \$3.5 billion annually by the end of the decade even if it managed to maintain oil production at one million barrels daily.

UAE restricts lending

Meanwhile, the United Arab Emirates (UAE), which said Tuesday that it would suffer its first-ever budget deficit of \$621 million in fiscal 1981-1982, announced Wednesday new restrictive measures on foreign lending.

The central bank said that banks operating in the country must henceforth have, as a local reserve, at least 30 per cent of sums they wish to lend to foreign borrowers. The figure was previously 15 per cent.

It said the measure was aimed at "keeping the UAE dirham (local currency) inside the country and maintaining a high level of local liquidity."

U.S. economists say recession is over

NEW YORK (R) — Some Wall Street economists have cheered up millions of jobless Americans and the country's ailing industries this week by saying that the recession is over.

The trouble is that not all analysts can agree on whether the economy has reached its low point and how soon better times can be expected.

Wall Street has been examining statistics detailing economic activity in February and the resulting diversity of views among analysts has contributed to uncertainty in credit and stock markets about the outlook for interest rates—a key factor in industry's expansion plans and the buying power of consumers.

"The recession appears to have reached bottom," said Bernard Schoenfeld, of Irving Trust Company, a view closely echoed by Philip Braverman at Chase Manhattan Bank who said "the eco-

nomy is probably in the process of bottoming out."

But Edward Yardeni of the stockbroking firm E.F. Hutton took the line that "a close look at the (February) numbers offers little hope that an economic recovery is at hand."

The economists looked at the figures and set out their views in regular weekly publications over the weekend.

Mr. Schoenfeld cited four indicators for his view that the recession has ended—a rise in non-farm employment after five months of declines, an increase in the average weekly hours worked, a 1.6 per cent gain in industrial production and a 1.6 per cent rise in retail sales.

But he cautioned that the evidence was fragmentary, distorted by severe weather in January and

subject to revision.

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenn and Smith, the leading Wall Street securities firm, forecast that real, or inflation-adjusted, gross national product would rise at an annual rate of 1.5 per cent in the second quarter of 1982. TI Commerce Department had estimated real GNP declines in the 1981 fourth quarter and 1982 first quarter of 4.5 per cent.

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Wednesday.

One sterling	1.8073/83	U.S. dollars
One U.S. dollar	1.2209/12	Canadian dollars
	2.3795/3805	West German marks
	2.6290/6320	Dutch guilders
	1.8902/12	Swiss francs
	44.78/82	Belgian francs
	6.2200/50	French francs
	1305.00/1306.00	Italian lire
	241.95/242.05	Japanese yen
	5.8400/8500	Swedish crowns
	6.0350/0450	Norwegian crowns
	8.1025/1125	Danish crowns
Once ounce of gold	331.50/332.00	U.S. dollars

LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON (R) — The market was mixed Wednesday and trading was much quieter than Tuesday, dealers said. At 1500 the F.T. index was down 0.8 at 563.5.

Eagle Star and Prudential ended down 9p and 5p respectively following results but Willis Faber continued to draw support from Tuesday's better than expected figures, gaining a further 7p among firm insurance brokers, dealers said. Vickers was marked down 6p on the £23.3 million rights issue announced with 1981 results but recovered 5p to 159.

North American shares were generally firmer. Gold shares were marked down as much as 5½ on the higher tax surcharge on mining companies announced in the South African budget, dealers said. The sector ended mixed after a volatile session despite the firmer bullion price, they added.

Leading oils firmed as much as 5p as in Ultramar, and Lamo was up 11p at 300 after press comment on Tuesday's results. In quiet electricals, BICC ended 8p down after results while stores had Boots up 6p on strong institutional demand.

Profit-taking after the recent good run and the failure of the Bank of England to cut its money market dealing rates depressed government bonds, dealers said. Long dates ended around ½ point down.

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4:30	Koran
4:45	Cartoons
5:10	Children's Programme
6:55	Programme Preview
7:00	Local Competition Programme
8:00	News in Arabic
8:30	Arabic Series
9:30	Documentary
10:10	Arabic Play
11:00	News Summary

CHANNEL 6

6:00	French Programme
7:00	News in French
7:30	News in Hebrew
8:30	"Angie"
9:10	Rockford Film
10:00	News in English
10:15	Movie of the Week: "Confessions of the D.A. Man"

FOR FRIDAY

CHANNEL 3

10:00	Koran
10:20	Children's programme
11:00	Religious programme
12:50	Forest Ranger
13:45	Barriers
14:15	Soccer
15:03	Play Guitar
16:35	CHIPS
17:30	Science and Life
18:00	Western Theatre
18:30	Feature Film
19:30	Religious Programme
20:00	News in Arabic
20:30	Arabic Series
21:30	Local Variety Programme
22:00	Arabic series
23:00	News in Arabic

CHANNEL 6

6:00	French Programme
7:00	News in French
7:30	News in Hebrew
8:30	Mary Tyler Moore Show
9:10	I remember Nelson
10:00	News in English
10:15	Flamingo Road

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7:00	Sign on
7:30	Morning Show
7:40	News Bulletin
7:50	Morning Show
10:00	News Summary
10:03	Pop Session
11:00	Signing off
12:00	News Headlines
12:03	Pop Session
13:00	News Summary
13:03	Pop Session
14:00	News

FOR FRIDAY

7:00	Sign on
7:30	Morning Show
7:40	News Bulletin
7:50	Morning Show
10:00	News Summary
10:03	Pop Session
11:00	Listeners' Choice
12:00	News Headlines
12:03	Friday Special
13:00	News Summary
13:03	Pop Session
14:00	News
14:10	In Concert
14:30	Concert Hour
16:00	News Summary
16:03	Old Favourites
17:00	Pop Session
18:00	News Summary
18:30	Top Twenty
19:30	Country Music
20:30	Over a Cup of Tea
21:00	Jazz Hour
22:00	Close down

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7:00	Sigh on
7:01	Morning Show
7:30	News Bulletin
7:45	Morning Show
10:00	News Summary
10:03	Pop Session
11:00	Listeners' Choice
12:00	News Headlines
12:03	Friday Special
12:05	News Summary
13:03	Pop Session
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14:10	Instrumentals
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U.K. 13:45 The Pleasure's Yours

14:30	Discovery 15:00
15:00	Radio Newsworld 15:15
15:15	Outlook 16:00
16:00	World News; Commentary 16:15
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16:30	Opera Gallery 16:45
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17:45	Sports Round-up 18:00
18:00	World News; News about Britain 18:15
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21:30	Business Matters 22:00
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22:25	Book Choice 22:30
22:30	Financial News; Reflections 22:45
22:45	Sports Round-up 23:00
23:00	World News; Commentary 23:15
23:15	Merchant Navy Programme 23:30
23:30	Meridian

SELECTED CHANGES FOR FRIDAY

05:30	The King of Instruments
05:30	Backtracking 8:30
8:30	Smash of the Day: The Navy Lark 11:15
11:15	In the Meantime 12:15
12:15	Jazz for the Asking 13:30
13:30	Caprihorn Africa 18:30
18:30	Musical Memories 20:30
20:30	The Reith Lectures 23:30
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04:00	The Breakfast Show 15:00
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15:30	VOA Magazine Show: Americana, science, culture, letters 16:00
16:00	Special English News 16:10
16:10	Special English Science & Technology Report 16:15
16:15	The Making of a Nation (Friday: The Living Earth) 16:30
16:30	Now Music USA (Friday: Country Music USA) 17:00
17:00	News Roundup 17:30
17:30	Date-line 18:00
18:00	Special English News 18:10
18:10	Science and Technology Report 18:15
18:15	Feature 18:30
18:30	Musical USA 19:00
19:00	News Roundup 19:30
19:30	Special English News 20:10
20:10	Science and Technology Report 20:15
20:15	Musical USA: Jazz 21:00
21:00	VOA World Report

AMMAN AIRPORT

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8:00	Cairo (EA)

DEPARTURES

8:45	Cairo
8:55	Aqaba
9:00	Damascus
9:30	Jeddah
9:40	Dhahran
9:45	Kuwait
9:50	Cairo
10:00	Ras Al Khaimah, Dubai
10:00	Doha, Bahrain
10:00	Beirut
10:25	Kuwait (AF)
11:05	Riyadh (SV)
15:30	Kuwait (KAC)
16:30	Cairo
16:55	Aqaba
17:00	Athens
17:25	London (BA)
17:30	London
17:45	New York, Vienna
18:30	Cairo
18:15	Amsterdam, Beirut (KLM)
19:30	Rome
20:30	Frankfurt (LH)
20:30	Beirut (MEA)
21:55	Beirut
01:00	Baghdad
02:45	Baghdad

DEPARTURES

3:15	Budapest
3:30	Cairo
6:15	Frankfurt (LH)
6:30	Damascus
6:45	Beirut
7:00	Aqaba
9:00	Cairo (EA)
9:25	Beirut (MEA)
10:30	Rome
11:00	Amsterdam, New York
11:15	Athens
11:25	Madrid, Casablanca
11:30	Cairo
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10:00	Dhahran
10:10	Beirut
15:25	Jeddah, Medina (SV)
15:45	Tripoli
16:45	Tripoli, Tunis
17:15	Houston, N York, Vienna
17:20	Kuwait (KAC)
17:30	Paris
17:35	Brussels, Geneva
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9:00	Cairo (EA)
9:25	Beirut (MEA)
9:30	London (BA)
11:00	Vienna, N. York, Houston
11:10	Athens, Copenhagen
12:00	London
16:35	Medina, Jeddah (SV)
16:45	Tripoli
18:25	Kuwait (KAC)
18:50	Abu Dhabi
19:00	Kuwait
19:15	Riyadh (SV)
19:20	Bahrain, Doha
19:20	Dhahran
19:30	Jeddah
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23:30	Baghdad

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SPORTS

Borg's return to tennis marked by defeat

COPENHAGEN (R) — Bjorn Borg of Sweden, ending a four-month break from tennis, was beaten 6-2, 6-7, 6-2 by American Vitas Gerulaitis in a \$50,000 exhibition match Tuesday night.

It was the first time Gerulaitis had beaten the Swede, who has won the French Open six times and

Wimbledon on five occasions.

Borg makes his first tournament appearance after his layoff in a Grand Prix event in Monte Carlo next month.

A crowd of 3,200 watched his match against Gerulaitis.

Pakistan-Sri Lanka test rained out

LAHORE, Pakistan (A.P.) — Play on the third day of the third test between Pakistan and Sri Lanka at Gaddafi stadium Wednesday was rained out.

Umpires Shakoor Rana and Khizer Heyat, after their second inspection, decided that play was not possible because of heavy rains. Rest day Thursday will be treated as a playing day as Wednesday has been declared a rest day.

Pakistan, replying to Sri Lanka first innings total of 240, is 168 for one wicket with Mohsin Hasan batting 78 and Majid Khan 42 not out.

England draws match, wins Basques' hearts

BILBAO, Spain (R) — England could only draw 1-1 with Spanish club Athletic Bilbao Tuesday night but they won the hearts of the Basque crowd in the stadium where they will play their group matches in the World Cup soccer finals in June.

The England players, clearly wanting to create goodwill, started by kicking a dozen footballs as presents into the near-capacity 40,000 crowd. They ended by exchanging shirts as the crowd applauded them off the pitch.

They also pleased the crowd with some fast, precise football, particularly in the first half when only the Basque goalkeeper stopped them from taking a decisive lead.

"That's what friendly games are all about. I hope we made a few friends tonight," said England manager Ron Greenwood.

Kevin Keegan gave England the lead after 37 minutes. Sarabia equalised for the local side in the 68th minute.

An outstanding partnership for '82

LONDON (R) — A jockey who was nearly killed seven months ago and a filly owned by Queen Elizabeth promise to become the outstanding partnership of the 1982 British flat racing season which starts Thursday.

The early signs are that it will be an unexceptional season with no outstanding candidates in view for the classic races which include the most prized event of all, the Epsom Derby on June 2.

But for Willie Carson, who received fractures to the spine and skull in a horrifying fall at York last August, it will be like starting life all over again.

Once again Carson will be riding for Dick Hern, Britain's top trainer in 1962, 1972 and 1980

whose stable of more than 100 horses includes the Queen's Height of Fashion.

Carson, 39, an ebullient Scot who was leading in the jockeys' championship when he came to grief at York, says he is not in the least apprehensive about race riding again. "I'm obviously not as fit now as I will be in June, but mentally I'm in as good shape as ever."

Carson's best hope of adding to his list of classic winners almost certainly lies with Height of Fashion, unbeaten as a two-year-old and the likely favourite for the Oaks, the season's main target for fillies.

If the season does after all produce a classic horse of real distinction it could well be Height of

Fashion who did everything asked of her when winning races at York, Doncaster and Ascot last year.

The fact that she is owned by the Queen, who won the Oaks with Dunfermline in 1977, will give added lustre to anything the filly achieves.

The absence of any great strength in depth among the classic hopefuls has meant more attention than usual has been focused on the jockeys' championship, particularly Carson's bid to win back the title from Lester Piggott.

Piggott, 46 but stonily disregarding suggestions that he might retire, looks set to make a strong challenger for a ninth Derby success on the Henry Cecil-trained Paradis Terrestre but over the full season he will be hard pressed to prevent Carson regaining the championship.

As ever Piggott will labour under the disadvantage of being one of the heavier jockeys which means he forfeits a number of winning rides. Piggott weighs 53.5 kgs, while Carson is 50 kgs.

Steve Cauthen, the young American who is given his best chance of the jockeys' title this year, has been putting on weight steadily since he arrived in Britain in 1979 and is now 52 kgs. But he is not worried. "I feel much stronger and better in myself," he says.

Cauthen rides for trainer Barry Hills who has only limited prospects of a classic victory but has a number of good horses including the four-year-old colt Fandango Time.

Scotland wins, but initial boost didn't sustain

GLASGOW, Scotland (R) — World Cup finalists Scotland, given the boost of two goals in the first 20 minutes, were unable to sustain their effort and were restricted to a 2-1 win over the Netherlands in a soccer friendly Tuesday night.

The Dutch, runners up at the last two World Cup finals, looked still to be suffering from the disappointment of not reaching the 1982 finals as they fell behind to a penalty by Frank Gray after 13 minutes and a Kenny Dalglish goal seven minutes later.

But the Scots, without several

key players including Liverpool midfielder man Graeme Souness, then lost their way and the Netherlands were able to respond with a goal after 30 minutes from Wim Kieft, their 19-year-old striker.

The second half was generally disappointing although Alan Brazil, who with Tommy Burns came on for Dalglish and Steve Archibald, showed how to open up the Dutch defence with some tight turns under pressure. But his shots and crosses let him down.

Arnold Muhren, Brazil's teammate at Ipswich, came closest to scoring in the second half with a header that Alan Rough did well to save.

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN

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Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ 8
♥ AQ432
♦ QJ7
♣ 10765

EAST
♠ J10854
♥ 95
♦ K532
♣ Q4

SOUTH
♠ AKQ9732
♥ KJ
♦ A4
♣ AK

The bidding:
South West North East
2 ♠ Pass 3 ♥ Pass
4 NT Pass 5 ♠ Pass
5 NT Pass 6 ♠ Pass
6 ♠ Pass Pass Pass
Opening lead: Ten of ♠.

We have often commented that rubber bridge and duplicate pairs are actually two completely different games. Here's a hand that proves our point. Assume that you are in six spades and receive the ten of diamonds lead. You cover with dummy's jack and it holds the trick. How would you play the hand at duplicate pairs and rubber bridge, and why?

Let's start off with rubber bridge. Here, your main consideration is to make your contract. Since all your side suit cards are winners, your only concern is the trump suit. If trumps are 4-1 or 3-2, you have no problem. So you must try to protect against a possible 5-0 split.

At trick two, lead the eight of spades from dummy. If East plays an honor, you win and you cannot lose more than one trump trick. If East plays low, run the eight of spades! As the cards lie, the eight wins the trick and your slam is home—you lose only one trump trick. That is also the case if West wins the first spade trick, for now your three master spades will draw the outstanding trumps. Congratulations—you found a classic safety play!

At duplicate pairs, you can't afford the luxury of a safety play. If the spades are 3-2, you might make only twelve tricks while the rest of the field takes thirteen, so your safety play would net exactly zero matchpoints on the hand.

Therefore, at duplicate pairs it is correct to lead a trump to the ace at trick two. When West shows out, you are in trouble, but the hand can still be made with perfect timing.

Cash the ace of diamonds and ace-king of clubs. Enter dummy by overtaking the king of hearts with the ace and ruff a diamond. Now cross back to dummy with the queen of hearts. You are down to five trumps, while East has four trumps and a diamond. Lead any card from dummy and you have set up a trump coup-end play.

If East ruffs, you overruff and he makes only one trump trick. Thus, East must discard his diamond. You ruff, and you are down to the same trump length as East. Exit with the seven of spades, and suddenly East finds that he can make only one trump trick. Try it!

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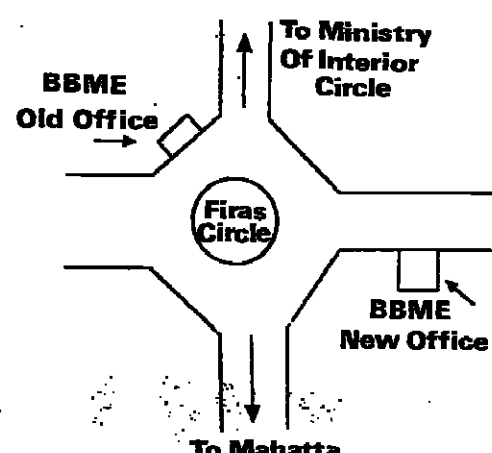
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Indian trade fair in Kenya

Buses to bats on show

NAIROBI, Kenya (A.P.) — President Daniel arap Moi opened Friday an Indian trade fair featuring products ranging from buses to cricket bats and described as the biggest ever staged by India in Africa.

"The whole range of equipment and machinery displayed here clearly indicates India's steady growth as a major industrial nation in the Third World," Mr. Moi said in opening the 10-day exhibition at the Kenyatta international conference centre.

Products of 108 Indian companies were on display at the fair. The emphasis was on heavy machine tools such as lathes, but there were also bicycles, brassware, wall clocks, tires, soap powder, bathroom fixtures, handicrafts, kitchen appliances and tractors.

Indian officials said the aim of the fair was not only to increase trade between India and Kenya but also to introduce more Indian technology into this East African nation which has a large community of people of Indian extraction.

"We in India have a large reservoir of trained manpower," Mr. Mohammad Yunus, chairman of the Trade Fair Authority of India and organiser of the Nairobi exhibition, said at the opening. "We are anxious to project the new technological trends in modern India."

Indian officials said the main selling points for Indian technology in the Third World are

simplicity, allowing use with a minimum of training, and a low price tag because of India's huge pool of cheap labour.

So far this year Mr. Moi has twice publicly accused Kenya's Asian community — mostly Indians — of damaging the country's economy through such practices as smuggling. Most of the Indians are merchants and traders.

"Instead of Asians using their advanced knowledge in business to help Africans improve their profit margins," Mr. Moi said on Feb. 7, "Asians in this country are running the economy by smuggling currency out and even hoarding essential goods and selling them through the back door."

But in Friday's speech Mr. Moi made no mention of his differences with Kenyan Asians.

"I would like to assure Indian industrialists who have come here for the first time that we in Kenya are committed to promoting a mixed economy," Mr. Moi said. "We welcome foreign investment and technical collaboration in both the private and public sectors."

But Mr. Moi added that foreign investment should "contribute positively towards achieving our development objectives such as

transfer of technology, creation of employment opportunities and processing of local resources."

Estimates of the size of Kenya's Asian community vary from around 79,000 to 140,000. Many are descendants of some 20,000 Indians brought to Kenya by Britain between 1895 and 1902 when this country was a colony to build a railroad from Mombasa on the Indian ocean to the shore of Lake Victoria.

Though Mr. Moi made no mention of Kenyan Asians on Friday, the issue was still getting coverage in the local press. One Nairobi newspaper quoted a speech in parliament on Thursday by assistant Finance Minister Achiya Echakara, who said the Kenya-India friendship association should help put an end to the "cheating" and the draining of Kenya's wealth by Indians.

India's High Commissioner to Kenya, V.K. Grover, said at the fair's opening that Third World countries have so far made "little headway" in persuading industrialised nations to transfer wealth and technology to the less developed world.

He said that official development aid from industrialised countries to the Third World has in fact declined during the past decade while the so-called North-South dialogue has been going on between the rich nations of the Northern hemisphere and the mostly poor countries of the South.

Mr. Moi echoed the high commissioner's remarks by saying: "It is imperative that developing countries should reduce gradually their dependence on trade with the industrialised countries by intensifying economic cooperation between themselves."

The trade between India and Kenya has shown a sharp imbalance in India's favour over the years and Indian officials said they would like to import more from Kenya to redress the imbalance.

In 1980, Kenya imported around \$30 million worth of goods from India, but India bought only about \$10 million worth of Kenyan products. The main Indian export to Kenya, officials said, was machine tools while India bought such items from here as sisal and cashew nuts.

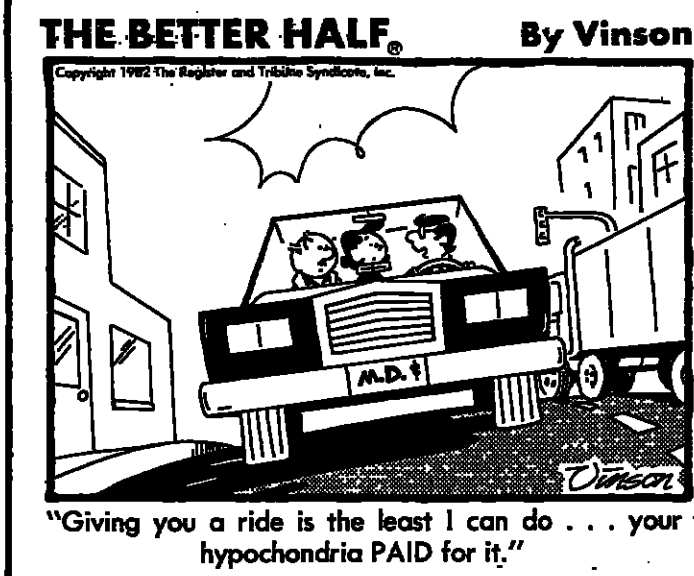
Flowers, poems mark poet's death anniversary

BONN — Germans in East and West paid tributes ranging from wreaths to record-breaking recitations to mark the 150th anniversary Monday of the death of Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, Germany's greatest man of letters.

The celebrations focused on Frankfurt am Main in the West, where Goethe was born in 1749, and Weimar in the East, where he died in 1832.

Goethe, writer and scientist and a minister in the Duke of Weimar's Court, is one of the most illustrious Germans to be honoured by both the communist and the capitalist states since the country's post-war division.

West German President Karl Carstens told pupils in a Bonn school in an anniversary speech he was pleased that both parts of Germany were celebrating the occasion.



Swedish sex clubs come under fire

By Michael Metcalfe
Reuter

STOCKHOLM — Swedish sex clubs, where twosomes, threesomes and moresomes cavort on cramped stages under bright lights, are threatened with closure by a female government minister.

Health and Social Affairs Minister Karin Soeder, 53, a centrist parliamentarian and vigorous anti-alcohol campaigner, has signed a bill to outlaw pornographic displays in public. The proposal will be put to parliament (riksdag) on March 31.

If the law is passed, and most political forecasters here say it will be, the clubs will be closed by July 1. Lawbreakers face up to six months jail.

"This type of activity is degrading for young girls. The clubs are a breeding ground for prostitution and I intend to outlaw them," Mrs. Soeder, a mother of three, said in a recent interview.

Mrs. Soeder's stern attitude, largely shared by other Swedish parliamentarians, is opposed by Stockholm club and restaurant owners.

Gina Sundin, owner of Cabaret Nana, one of the threatened clubs, said: "I run a clean operation. There is absolutely no connection with prostitution."

Stockholm's sex clubs officially number about seven, but are probably nearer 20. The official figure for the whole of Sweden is around 80.

In the capital, many clubs operate undercover to avoid tax and police checks, a social affairs ministry official said.

Sex shows are advertised in the daily press, next to the theatre and cinema columns. A typical club offers live shows every hour on the hour from 1 p.m. to 4 a.m.

Added enticements are half-price admittance in the off-peak afternoon hours, free coffee, air-conditioning, and lower rates for pensioners.

The clubs have been under fire since they first appeared in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

Denmark and Sweden shaped liberal sex laws, which soon attracted pornography ent-

repreneurs. The Danish police cracked down late in the 1970s, by means of time-consuming checks on such establishments for all building, fire, safety and sanitation regulations.

Proprietors often found themselves trying to begin a sex show with police still checking the stage electrical wiring.

As a result of the tightening-up, Danish pornographers moved across the Denmark straits to the Swedish port of Malmö, where they set up shop anew.

But many of these were then forced to close, or turn mobile, as local police applied their Danish colleagues' tactics.

The Swedish authorities have been prosecuting porn moguls mainly for currency violations, such as smuggling money back into Denmark, or tax offences.

In a country regarded as among the world's highest taxed, earnings from live sex shows, pornography and prostitution largely go undetected because they mostly remain unreported and undeclared, say social affairs ministry officials.

Tore Winqvist, who has published a book called Brothels in Sweden, says prostitution and sex clubs have gained ground here in the past decade shielded by increased sexual freedom.

One Swedish sociologist said he interpreted the planned new legislation as an expression of fresh puritanism sweeping the country, to be compared with the Moral Majority in the United States.

But Stockholm restaurateur Helmut Tremel said he would fight the new law, if it is passed, by going to the European human rights commission at Strasbourg.

Claiming it would infringe Sweden's civil liberties, Mr. Tremel said: "I shall take the government to the commission if they go ahead with this ban."

He added: "Sweden has a reputation for its liberalism but the government is always interfering in the lives of private citizens in ways that simply wouldn't be tolerated elsewhere."

Mr. Soeder's move has been welcomed by militant women's organisations in Sweden, who regard live sex shows as degrading for women.

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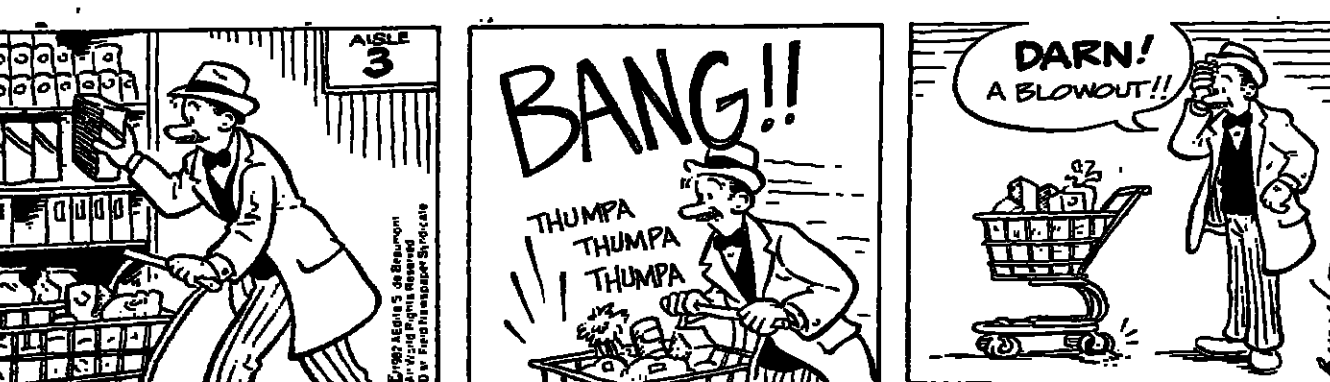
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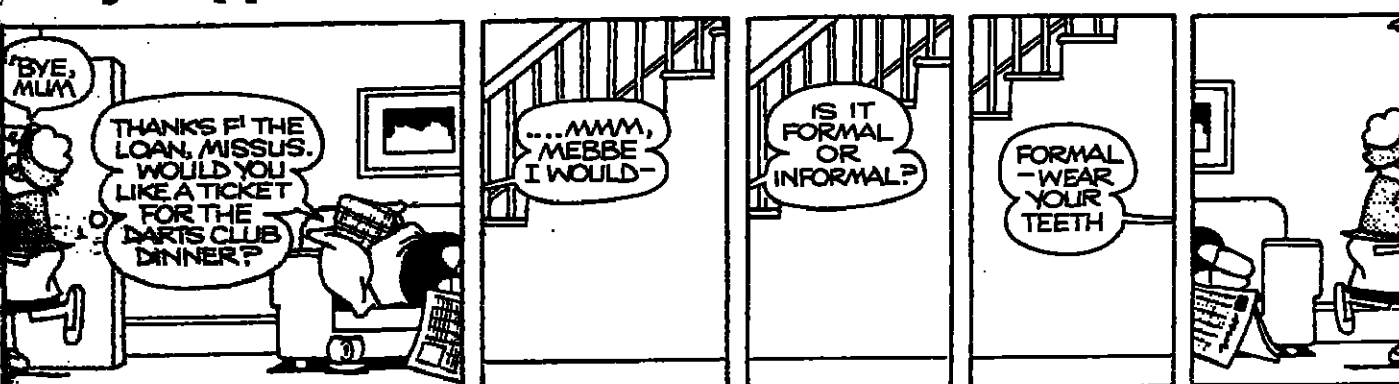
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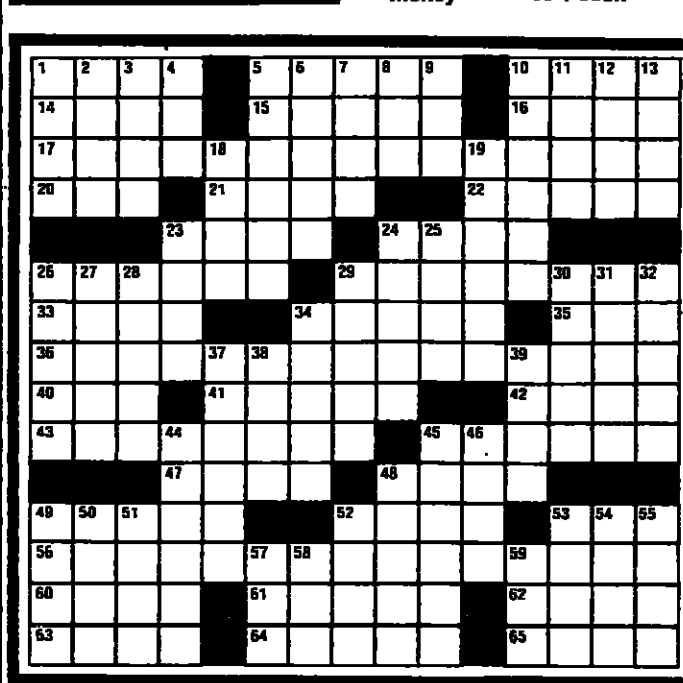
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THE Daily Crossword By Jeanne Newland

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WORLD

President Sattar supports army chiefs' bloodless coup

Military take power in Dacca

NEW DELHI (Agencies) — Bangladesh's army chief, Lt.-Gen. Mohammad Ershad, seized power Wednesday in an apparently bloodless coup, ending the four-month-old civilian rule of President Abdus Sattar.

Gen. Ershad said in a broadcast over Radio Bangladesh, monitored by the Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency, that the armed forces had taken over to save the impoverished country from social, administrative and economic collapse.

He said the ministerial council and assembly had been suspended, the constitution had been temporarily abrogated and martial law had been imposed throughout the country.

But the 52-year-old soldier said he had no political ambition and that a new civilian president would be appointed. His main aim was to hold general elections as soon as possible.

Radio Bangladesh said a night curfew had been imposed in Dacca and all political activities, processions, strikes and public meetings had been banned for the duration of martial law, PTI reported.

The takeover was the latest upheaval in the turbulent 10-year history of Bangladesh, in which two presidents have been assassinated and numerous abortive coups have taken place.

Gen. Ershad's broadcast followed a first speech by President Sattar, 76, who was quoted by All-India Radio as saying martial law had become necessary because of a deterioration of law and order.

Mr. Sattar said the situation in the country had deteriorated to the point that "in the interest of the Bangladesh people, military rule has become necessary."

"As elected president of Bangladesh, I thank all the members of the armed forces for extending their help to me," Mr. Sattar said. "I fully support the loyal armed forces' effort to help the nation."

Telephone and other communication links with Dacca were not available, but the airport was reported open with scheduled flights operating normally.

PTI quoted passengers arriving in Calcutta on a Bangladesh airline flight as saying Dacca was completely calm and there was no evident resistance to the army.

Mr. Sattar first took office last May following the assassination of President Ziaur Rahman in an abortive army mutiny. He won presidential elections with a big majority last November, but was confronted by army demands for a greater role in policy-making.

In his broadcast, Gen. Ershad spoke of unprecedented corruption, a bankrupt economy,

S. African judge criticises New Delhi

PIETERMARITZBURG, South Africa (A.P.) — A South African judge criticised the Indian government Wednesday for refusing to allow two pilots to testify in the trial of 43 alleged mercenaries accused of hijacking an Air-India flight after a failed coup attempt.

Judge Neville James empowered a commission in the Seychelles islands to take testimony at the site of the alleged hijacking and said he hoped the pilots would testify there.

A spokesman for the Indian government said in New Delhi Tuesday that the air crew would not be allowed to give evidence, even to a commission in the Seychelles. India has no diplomatic relations with South Africa because of the white-minority government's policy of race separation — apartheid.

The defendants are accused of hijacking the Zimbabwean Seychelles-Bombay flight Nov. 25 when their attempt to overthrow the leftist Seychelles government was uncovered and a gunfight broke out at Mahe Airport. The men surrendered at Durban airport the next day, releasing 65 passengers and 14 crew members.

Judge James, acting chief justice of Natal Province, told the court: "I would have thought the government of India would have done all in its power to assist this court in a case in which its own aircraft was involved. Now, because of the Indian government, this court has been denied the advantage of hearing the pilots' evidence in open court."

The Indian government also has drawn criticism from the international air pilots association

Former Bulgarian minister jailed in corruption case

VIENNA (R) — Bulgarian former Deputy Foreign Minister Zhivko Popov has been jailed for 20 years at a major corruption trial in Sofia, the Bulgarian news agency BTA reported Wednesday.

Three other men convicted with him of financial irregularities and offences involving hard currency transactions received prison sentences of 10 years, 15 years and 18 years, the agency said.

The Bulgarian supreme court sentenced them last Monday after a trial lasting 19 days. The sentences are final and not subject to appeal, the report added.

It gave no further details of the offences. But diplomatic sources in Sofia said they understood the case involved financial irregularities in connection with purchase of works of art abroad.

Mr. Popov, 52, was deputy foreign minister in charge of culture from 1976 to 1979, and was then ambassador to Czechoslovakia until December last year.

He was ousted from the Bulgarian Communist Party's central committee and expelled from the party earlier this month for unspecified criminal offences.

As well as imprisoning Mr. Popov, the court ordered all his property to be confiscated, banned him from ever occupying a leading function or any post with financial responsibility, and forbade him to live in Sofia for 23 years.

Property acquired by his wife and daughter with money he misappropriated was also seized by the state, BTA said.

Brezhnev offers olive branch to Peking

MOSCOW (R) — President Leonid Brezhnev appealed to China Wednesday to end two decades of hostility between Moscow and Peking and said the Soviet Union was ready for concrete steps to improve relations.

Speaking in the Soviet Central Asian city of Tashkent, not far from China, Mr. Brezhnev said Moscow had never denied the existence of a socialist system in China.

"We have never considered normal the state of hostility and estrangement between our countries," Mr. Brezhnev said.

"We are prepared to come to terms, without any preliminary conditions, on measures acceptable to both sides to improve Soviet-Chinese relations on the basis of mutual respect for each other's interests, non-interference in each other's affairs and mutual benefit — certainly not to the detriment of third countries," he declared.

Mr. Brezhnev's offer to improve relations followed a series of discreet feelers to China in recent weeks from the Kremlin.

His decision to make a personal offer to improve relations suggested that the Soviet side expected China's response would not be wholly negative, analysts here said.

Mr. Brezhnev reaffirmed that Moscow recognised China's authority over Taiwan and said the Soviet Union had no territorial claims on China.

The official news agency TASS reported that Mr. Brezhnev said Moscow was ready "at any moment" to resume border talks with China, which have been adjourned for several years.

"We are also ready to discuss the question of possible measures to strengthen mutual trust in the area of the Soviet-Chinese frontier," he declared.

The Soviet president complained that relations between the Soviet Union and Japan were being hampered by "external forces" — a reference to the United States.

Dutch foreign minister raps U.S. stance on El Salvador

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (A.P.) — Foreign Minister Max Van der Stoep Wednesday attacked the United States' stance on El Salvador and said his government has growing doubts about official explanation of the four Dutch journalists who were killed in the Central American nation.

Mr. Van der Stoep told the parliamentary committee on foreign affairs that the Dutch investigation into the killings made his government's doubts about the official Salvadorean explanation of the deaths "not less but even stronger at the moment."

Criticising the United States for seeing El Salvador's problems solely as a confrontation between West and East, Mr. Van der Stoep said, "the problem is poverty."

The Netherlands press association (GD), meanwhile, reported that the Dutch government sent a secret envoy to El Salvador Tuesday to investigate the shooting of the journalists. The foreign ministry sent its chief press spokesman, Jan-Willem Bertens.

The move came after the end of a probe into the deaths by Dutch Ambassador to Mexico Baron Johannes Speyart van Woerden. Mr. Bertens' deputy, Bert Wildevorst, denied the mission was secret, saying it was to check on the safety of Dutch journalists.

Mr. Van Woerden's probe was criticised by foreign affairs committee members who said that witnesses were unlikely to have spoken to him freely because he was escorted by government troops.

The results of Mr. Van Woerden's probe have not been released, and are described as "confidential" by the foreign ministry.

The Salvadorean government claims the four-man television team was killed March 17 when it was caught in a cross-fire between government troops and guerrillas.

Reagan's MX missile budget sliced off

WASHINGTON (R) — A Senate subcommittee has voted to cut \$1 billion sought by President Reagan for production of the MX missile, dealing a major blow to the administration's nuclear arms programme. But it approved funds for research and development of the missile.

The Senate Armed Services Strategic Subcommittee cast the unanimous vote to cut the \$1 billion in a closed session Tuesday, it was announced to reporters by subcommittee Chairman John Warner.

The money had been sought by Mr. Reagan for production of the powerful, accurate and controversial MX during the 1983 financial year which begins on Oct. 1 this year.

The subcommittee in a statement later said it had voted to approve \$1.7 billion sought by Mr. Reagan for research and development of the MX.

It defended its vote to cut the \$1 billion saying that was consistent with its decision to seek a permanent basing mode as soon as possible. The Senate panel also voted, according to subcommittee sources, to cut several hundred million dollars sought by the administration for temporary basing of the MX.

Mr. Reagan wants to begin production of the missile and to base it temporarily in existing Minuteman missile silos while a permanent deployment scheme is worked out.

But Senator Warner, a Virginia Republican, said the Senators felt the MX would be too vulnerable to a Soviet first strike under that arrangement and saw no point in building the missiles until the permanent basing decision was made.

The subcommittee's decisions will be taken up by the full Armed Services Committee next week, and some congressional sources say it could well endorse the decision on MX cuts.

MIDDLE EAST NEWS BRIEFS

Boucetta holds talks with Saudi leaders

BAHRAIN (R) — Moroccan Foreign Minister M'hamed Boucetta had talks with Saudi King Khaled Wednesday on an unannounced visit to Riyadh. The Saudi Press Agency said Mr. Boucetta, who arrived in Riyadh on Tuesday, gave King Khaled a message from King Hassan of Morocco. He discussed Arab, Islamic and international issues and bilateral relations with Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal, the agency added.

Pakistani police use tear-gas on teachers

PESHAWAR (R) — Police used tear-gas and baton charges Wednesday to break up demonstrations by about 25,000 striking schoolteachers in the latest unrest over bans imposed by Pakistan's military rulers on political and other gatherings. Official sources said more than 100 people were arrested and at least 15 injured during the clashes in Peshawar, capital of the North-West Frontier Province bordering Afghanistan. The teachers had called a demonstration to demand higher pay.

Turkey, Syria sign trade agreements

DAMASCUS (R) — Turkey and Syria have signed a number of agreements on bilateral cooperation, Turkish Deputy Prime Minister Turgut Ozal said here Wednesday. He told a press conference before leaving for home after an official three-day visit that the accords dealt with cooperation in the fields of economy, science, technology, trade, transport and telecommunications.

Iranian opposition appeals to U.N.

PARIS (A.P.) — Massoud Rajavi, leader of the Iranian Mujahadeen movement in Paris, has sent a letter to U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar asking him to send a commission to Iran to investigate human rights violations. Mr. Rajavi's office said Wednesday that the letter pointed out diplomatic reports confirming that in the first week of January alone, 610 bodies of executed people were delivered secretly to Tehran's Behesht-e-Zahra cemetery.

Istanbul court sentences Kurdish author

ISTANBUL (R) — A Turkish Kurd was jailed for 10 years by a civil court here Wednesday for advocating Kurdish separatism in book, lawyers said. Ismail Besikci, 43, was arrested after the 1980 military coup in connection with a book published three years earlier, "The Obligatory Settlement of the Kurdish People." He had spent 18 months in jail before the coup on similar charges for a book entitled "The Way of Life in Eastern Anatolia," the lawyers said.

New Soviet ambassador for Sudan

MOSCOW (A.P.) — Boris Vorobyov, a former Soviet ambassador to Angola, has been appointed ambassador to Sudan, the official Soviet news agency TASS reported Wednesday. TASS said that Mr. Vorobyov, 59, replaces Vladislav Zhukov who is transferred to another job.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Kabul hits back at U.S., China

ISLAMABAD (R) — Afghanistan has indirectly hit back at American charges of chemical weapons being used against rebel groups in Afghanistan by stating that the United States and China were supplying the groups with such weapons. Radio Kabul, in a broadcast monitored in Islamabad, said the U.S. and China were interfering in Afghanistan's internal affairs by sending "criminal mercenaries" to fight there. "To carry out their sinister aims, they even resort to using chemical weapons. Seizure of such arms in Herat is a good proof of this claim," the broadcast said. It gave no other details. Herat, a province bordering Iran, has been the scene of a number of recent clashes between rebel groups and Afghan government forces. The radio made no direct reference to a report released by U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig which charged that the Soviet Union, with 90,000 troops inside Afghanistan, was involved in chemical warfare there as well as in Laos and Kampuchea.

Helicopter smuggler pleads guilty

DALLAS (R) — A man charged with trying to smuggle combat helicopters out of Texas to Libya via the international black market has pleaded guilty in federal court. Carl Kulungian said he was guilty of conspiring to export implements of war and agreed to help investigators prosecute others implicated in the scheme. Two other men, Alfonso Lopez-Quesada, a 41-year old Spaniard and Thomas O' Conner were charged with him for trying to buy 15 "Cobra" attack helicopters from a firm in Texas earlier this month. The government said the group planned to smuggle the helicopters out of the country for sale on the international black market, and were eventually destined for Libya. The three were arrested after undercover Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) agents masqueraded as salesmen and opened negotiations with them, court records said.

France detonates nuclear device

WELLINGTON (R) — France detonated a nuclear device at its underground testing site on Mururoa atoll in the South Pacific last Sunday, New Zealand scientists reported Wednesday. The department of scientific and industrial research's seismological observatory here said the explosion, rated at 15 kilotonnes, was the 48th detonated by the French in the area since they switched from atmospheric to underground testing in 1975.

Reagan names John Hughes as VOA

WASHINGTON (R) — President Reagan has nominated John Hughes as director of the Voice of America, succeeding James Conking, who resigned controversially over the role of the U.S. world-wide radio service. Voice of America is a government agency that has a reputation for impartial news broadcasts. It has been under pressure from conservative groups who want it to become more of a propaganda instrument to counter broadcasts from the Soviet Union

and other Communist countries. Mr. Hughes has been an associate director of the VOA's parent agency, the International Communication Agency, since last July. He was born in Neath, Wales, in 1930 and became a U.S. citizen in 1965.

Athens admits tapping navy chief's phone

ATHENS (R) — The Greek Socialist government admitted that the telephone of the chief of the navy who resigned on Monday was being tapped. Minister of Public Order Ioannis Skoularikis confirmed press reports according to which the telephone of Adm. Odyssseas Kapetos was tapped shortly after his appointment naval chief last January. Mr. Skoularikis gave no details but told reporters the matter was being investigated. Adm. Kapetos resigned over the weekend following disagreement with Under-Secretary of Defence Antonios Drossosyanis over appointments of navy officers. The new democracy main opposition party has tabled a question in parliament seeking an explanation concerning the resignation of Adm. Kapetos and what it regards as political intervention in navy matters.

Surinam challenges Amnesty allegations

PARAMARIBO (R) — Surinam's military rulers have invited Amnesty International and the International Red Cross to investigate allegations of repression and torture after the abortive March 11 coup. We have nothing to fear or to hide," military spokesman Ramon Abrahams said at a press briefing Tuesday. Lt. Abrahams heads the military police, who are investigating the crushed rebellion led by right-wing soldiers. The ringleader, ex-Sgt. Maj. Wilfred Hawker, was executed and more than 100 people have been detained. The spokesman said the decision to send the investigators stemmed from press reports in the Netherlands. Surinam's former colonial ruler, that the ruling council, headed by leftist Lt. Col. Daysi Bouterse, was allowing those detained to be tortured.

Lenseman offers to stop pestering Jacqueline

NEW YORK (R) — Photographer Ron Galella Tuesday offered to give up photographing Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis forever if a judge did not fine or jail him. But U.S. District Court Judge Irving Ben Cooper told Mr. Galella in court that he did not believe him and ordered him to attend a hearing to determine how much he would be fined and whether he would be sent to jail. Mr. Galella was found guilty earlier this month of violating 12 times a 1975 order by Judge Cooper not to photograph Mrs. Onassis from a distance of closer than eight metres. Through his lawyers he offered to give up taking pictures of Mrs. Onassis and pay her \$5,000. He also offered to pay her \$10,000 for any future violation. But Judge Cooper rejected the proposed settlement, saying the violations deserved a heavier penalty. He also said, "I do not believe he will live up to the terms of the settlement." At a trial earlier this year, Mrs. Onassis testified that Mr. Galella threatened her and her family when he approached them to take pictures. For several years, Mr. Galella has earned his living by photographing Mrs. Onassis.

The WEEKEND CROSSWORD

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Edited by Herb Etkens

THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT

By Martha J. DeWitt

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YNOFTUP POSES TU PAL DOWN. - By Barbara J. Rupp

8. FODNUOE RUOPL GUG SUPKADK CUN GCA
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LAST WEEK'S CRYPTOGRAMS

1. Problem: do tulips and daffodils grow from light bulbs?
Answer: not very heavy!

2. Wild seafood feast and solitary little boy on creek bank can both wish for

3. Genuine courage discourages cowering cowards.

4. Careful probing audit of patient readmissions revealed high number of recidivists.

5. EDMSDK RODEA MCL. "DPA EFA NOHR VCL
SOBJAN KDO DTT CPN JVBAN KDO - ROYE
ROVBJ"

6. AMI GOSMAVT YOM YT BEMONTMVT YT LUV
LAMT. GLO LUV GOSMAVT IMOM LAMT AMI
YUTL.

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